

## Martha A. Roherty

Martha Roherty serves as Executive Director of ADvancing States, an organization with a six-decade legacy of shaping how our nation supports older adults and people with disabilities. Founded in 1964 and reimagined in 2019 under its new name, ADvancing States now represents all 56 state and territorial agencies responsible for aging, disability, and long-term services and supports (LTSS). Under Martha's leadership, the association champions bold systems innovation, elevates state voices in federal policymaking, and strengthens the programs that help individuals live with dignity and independence.

Martha regularly engages Congress, the Administration, governors' offices, advocacy leaders, and state partners on the most critical issues in aging, disability, Medicaid, and LTSS. She also oversees the association's extensive technical assistance and training efforts that help states modernize their systems. Her expertise has led to multiple appointments on national advisory panels, where she contributes to shaping national policy.

Martha holds a Master of Public Policy with a concentration in finance from the University of Maryland. As the mother of five, including an adult son with autism who receives services through a Medicaid waiver, she brings both professional expertise and lived experience to her work. This dual perspective fuels her commitment to strengthening LTSS systems and ensuring they meet the needs of individuals and families nationwide.