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Sonia Aufiero is the Supervisor for the Adult Protective Services (APS) group, which is part of the Bergen County Board of Social Services. Sonia supervises the staff of APS and establishes procedures and protocols for the organization's work and mission. She is also responsible for assessing and managing the group's employees, as well as providing training for casework, case management, techniques, and practices.

Sonia's oversees the group's cases, and provides leadership and consultation to social workers, for problem identification, diagnosis, and developing solutions. She evaluates case and client problems, and navigates rules, regulations, and policies and procedures. Sonia also is responsible for establishing relationships with other organizations, agencies, and programs, to network and collaborate with each other, resulting in better, more efficient, and more effective services for the Bergen County community.

Sonia started with the Bergen County Board of Social Services as a social worker, and her training and background allowed her to investigate and assess neglect, abuse, and the exploitation of vulnerable adults. She was responsible for establishing and formulating service plans, goals and objectives for clients, and the department, based upon case assessments. Sonia also represented Bergen County in various court proceedings pertaining to county and governmental policies. She also was responsible for issuing and coordinating the referrals to other professionals, community programs, religious, and other agencies, for the benefit of clients.

Sonia's background, training, and experience as a social worker, human services specialist, and family and individuals advocate have given her a very broad and in-depth expertise in social services and serving those in need, the vulnerable, and in crisis.

Sonia has a Bachelor of Arts in Administration from Kean University.