

Thuy Nguyen

Thuy works as a technician in rehabilitation programs at the Open Regime Unit in the Prison Services of Catalonia. She is part of the team which coordinates the CerclesCat program and has been a coordinator of several Circles in the past years. Graduated in Psychology and Criminology, Thuy has a PHD degree in Forensic Psychology and has done several research and publications on assessment and treatment of sexual violence. As a researcher, Thuy is a member of the Group of Advanced Studies on Violence of the University of Barcelona.

Elena Caballero

Elena is a social worker at the Prison Services of Catalonia since 2007. She works currently at the Brians 2 prison in Barcelona, being part of the specialized team in the treatment program for sexual violence since 2012. As such, she takes part in the procedure for referring sex offenders to Circles program. Elena has a degree in Social Work from the Ramon Llull University and a post degree in Criminology and Penal Enforcement from the Autonomous University of Barcelona.

Carolina Bastit

Carolina is a psychologist at the Prison Services of Catalonia since 2002. She works currently as a psychologist at the Open Prison of Barcelona, being responsible of case management and treatment of offenders that serve their sentence in the community. As such, she is part of the *outer circle*, that consists of professionals who deliver assistance and monitoring to the sex offender (Core Member) participating in a Circle of Support and Responsibility. Graduated in Psychology and postgraduate in Clinical Psychology from the University of Barcelona, she is specialized in treatment programs for sexual violence in community settings.

Maribel Sánchez

Maribel is a Circles coordinator since 2017 as a member of the Salud y Comunidad Foundation which manages the CerclesCat project together with the Justice Department of Catalonia. As such, she is in charge of the coordination of the group of volunteers that provide support and accountability to the Core Member: The *Inner Circle*. Maribel is also currently working as a case manager in the community mental health program *Individualized Services Plan (PSI)* for the *Sagrat Cor* hospital of Barcelona. She has a degree in Social Education from the Ramon Llull University and a master's degree in Group Analysis psychotherapy from the Deusto University and OMIE Foundation.

Mari Valldeperas

Mari, 73, started as a volunteer in CerclesCat program in 2017. Before, she had been a volunteer at the Model Prison of Barcelona for 4 years. She has a degree in Communication Sciences, Journalism, Advertising and Public Relations from the Autonomous University of Barcelona. Currently retired, she has worked for 20 years as an Executive Secretary and as a technician in European Programs for the Europe Centre of Sabadell following the European Commission and Parliament directives.