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Reyna Ambriz is the Manager of the Early Start Policy and Operations Branch in the Early Childhood and Youth Services Division with the Department of Developmental Services (DDS). Reyna oversees the implementation of a federally funded program under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Part C, also known as the Early Start Program. Early Start is a program implemented to enhance and coordinate quality early intervention services for eligible infants and toddlers (birth to 36 months) and their families in California.

Prior to joining the state, Reyna worked with e Center Head Start Programs overseeing the implementation of quality services to children and families in three Head Start Programs: Head Start, Early Head Start, Migrant, and Seasonal Head Start. Reyna has over 20 years of experience working with children and families and has a bachelor's degree in Sociology (emphasis on social services) and a bachelor's degree in Spanish from the University of California, Davis.