Meet new COR® Coordinator, Daniela Valderrama Corrales

Daniela Valderrama Corrales joined the BCCSA in June as a new COR® Coordinator, after following an interesting career path.

New to Canada after leaving her homeland of Colombia, Daniela joined a local toy company that specialized in creating bath toys for kids.

"I joined the company when it had only three employees," she recalls. "Everything was handmade and natural, and we would make the whole product from beginning to end to packaging — everything. I enjoyed the creative process of devising these products with toy prizes inside."

As the company grew to more than 15 employees, she took on increasingly more responsible roles, from providing creative direction for the product line, and processing orders, to establishing schedules and training workers.

From there, she took on a position as an executive assistant in the automotive industry.

In her position as COR® Coordinator, she leverages her management skills to assist employers as they navigate the COR® application process. The position includes answering questions about the certification, reviewing audits and keeping employers on track.

"I'm a process-oriented person and I enjoy helping people along that pathway to certification," she says. *"I also appreciate that COR® certification plays a direct role in keeping workers safe and that employers who are COR® certified also receive a financial incentive from WorkSafeBC."*

While she enjoys spending time at home with her cat, Toño, the rainy Vancouver weather has made her appreciate outdoor activities all the more.

"When the rain stops, I want to take advantage of the weather and get out," she says. "You feel like you're wasting the sun if you don't go out to meet it."