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He is currently also the project director for the State Quality Improvement Institute, a project of the Commonwealth Fund to assist states that are ready to make substantial commitments to quality improvement and to facilitate development of concrete action plans for further progress. In addition, he has worked on various state-related projects under a contract with the federal Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ).

Previously Mr. Martinez-Vidal was the deputy director for performance and benefits at the Maryland Health Care Commission, an independent state agency. There he was responsible for the oversight of Maryland's small group insurance market reforms; the annual evaluation of Maryland's mandated health insurance benefits; the collection and public dissemination of quality and performance information for hospitals, nursing homes and health plans; providing primary assistance on all legislative issues; and working on numerous other projects related to the affordability of health care, quality improvement, and patient safety.

Mr. Martinez-Vidal was formerly a policy analyst with the Maryland Department of Legislative Services for five years. During that time he staffed the House Economic Matters Committee and was involved with a number of health-care related issues. He has a B.A. in political science and international studies from Dickinson College and a master's degree in public policy from Georgetown University.