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Lymari Benitez, Ph.D. joined PACE Center for Girls in June 2015 and oversees the Department of Program Evaluation. This department is responsible for the organization data collection and analysis efforts and provides technical assistance regarding data quality and interpretation to 19 centers and headquarters. Dr. Benitez has over 10 years of experience in the research and evaluation field.

Prior to joining PACE, she served as the lead evaluator of the Statewide System of Care Expansion Initiative for Children and Youth supported by the Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services. She also worked at Harlem Children's Zone, a community-based organization that is dedicated to the healthy development of children in Central Harlem, where she led evaluation activities geared towards producing useful information to guide program improvement and implementation.