

## **Paulo R. Pinto, MPA**

Paulo R. Pinto is the Executive Director of the Massachusetts Alliance of Portuguese Speakers (MAPS). He has served the Portuguese-speaking community throughout his 20-year career in the health and social service field. He began working at MAPS in January 1994, serving as Program Administrator for the agency's Disease Prevention and Education Program until late 1995, when he was promoted to the position of Deputy Executive Director. He served as the agency's second-in-command until April 3, 2000, when he became Acting Executive Director. He was appointed Executive Director by the MAPS Board of Directors on August 23, 2000. Before joining MAPS, Mr. Pinto served as Executive Director of the Immigrants Assistance Center, Inc. of New Bedford for four years, and before that as Coordinator of the Governor's Urban Teen Service Corps Summer Program and Youth Council for the Center for Health and Human Services in New Bedford from 1988-1990. He has done extensive volunteer work in community organizing for the Heritage Day of Portugal and other activities, as well as for the United Way and the American Cancer Society. He is the recipient of the Brazilian Times' Community Service Awards in 2000 and in 2008. A native of Portugal who grew up in Mozambique, Mr. Pinto immigrated to the U.S. in 1980. He holds a B.A. in Political Science and English from the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth and a Masters Degree in Public Administration (MPA) from Suffolk University's Sawyer School of Management. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Immigrant and Refugee Advocacy Coalition (MIRA), the National Organization of Portuguese Americans (NOPA), and the Public Health Board of the Cambridge Health Alliance, as well as a member of the American Society for Public Administration. He is also a Notary Public for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Paulo Pinto is an Adjunct Professor at the Suffolk University Department of Public Management.