Kemi Role

Kemi Role is currently the Director of Work Equity at a national workers' rights organization. In her role, Kemi guides and leads efforts to remove barriers to employment, end employment discrimination and occupational segregation, address health and safety issues for workers, and build Black worker power; all within a framework of dismantling structural racism and centering Blackness. Kemi works closely with Black-led worker center partners across the country to co-develop policy and advocacy strategies that build Black worker power and amplify innovative strategies seeded within the community.

Previously, Kemi spent a decade in executive leadership of a nurse-managed community based health center in San Francisco. At the Clinic, Kemi developed and oversaw equity focused workforce, community engagement, and clinical programs. Kemi also has ten years of experience managing a variety of research projects that have focused on cognitive attention and learning, student learning styles, and safe motherhood interventions. Kemi also has a deep love and skill for training, facilitation and developing new curriculum, particularly around racial equity and inclusion.

Kemi looks forward to applying her MPH towards capacity building and systems change that ensure that individuals and communities marginalized due to intersecting systems of oppression, can always access their dignity, power, and wholeness.