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Supreet Anand currently serves as the deputy director for the Office of English Language Acquisition (OELA) at the U.S. Department of Education. She has been working in the field of education for more than 25 years. As the deputy director for OELA, she supervises the National Professional Development grants, Native American and Alaska Native Children in School program, and the Asian American Pacific Islander Data Disaggregation Initiative program. Her work also focuses on informing policy decisions on English Learners (ELs) and supervising OELA's role in disseminating information about educational research, practices, and policies for ELs through the National Clearinghouse for English Language Acquisition.



Previously, Ms. Anand worked as a supervisory group leader, leading a state support group in the Office of State Support (OSS) at the Department. A state support group serves as the primary point of contact to nine states for all grant programs and initiatives administered by OSS, such as Title I, Title II, and Title III. The state support group is responsible for working collaboratively with other programs across the Department to develop strategies, guidance, and networks to support states, districts, and schools as they implement programs and initiatives focused on education reform, school improvement, and improved student achievement. She also worked in the office of Student Achievement and School Accountability as the supervisor of the Title III formula grant program.

Before joining the U.S. Department of Education, Ms. Anand served as the Title III specialist for the Maryland State Department of Education. She was also an adjunct faculty member at the University of Maryland and taught English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) methodology courses to graduate students. Prior to taking her position at Maryland Department of Education, she was the supervisor of the ESOL program in Prince George's County Public Schools this county is a suburb of Washington, DC, with the second largest population of ELs in Maryland. In addition, she has Maryland state certification in ESOL and has taught ESOL in grades K–12 for over 10 years in India and the United States.

Ms. Anand holds an M.S. in Applied Linguistics from Georgetown University in Washington, DC, and an M.A. in English Literature from Punjab University, India.