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Eng. Daneris Fernández
President of the Board
Pharmaceutical Industry Association of Puerto Rico

Daneris Fernández is currently the Vice President of Merck's Manufacturing Division Puerto Rico Operations, President of the Board of the Pharmaceutical Industry Association, the Center of Excellence for Advanced Technology and her brainchild Children for Children Foundation. Fernández is also a Board member of the Puerto Rico Chamber of Commerce and the Ana G. Méndez Educational System.

Her legendary stamina, and her ubiquitous role in promoting policy on behalf of the manufacturing industry in general and the pharmaceutical industry in particular, and her numerous initiatives to bring forth collaborative efforts between industry, academia and government have won her accolades from peers and leaders from all three sectors, as well as regulatory agencies, trade associations and community-based organizations.

Daneris Fernández graduated from the University of Puerto Rico-Mayagüez with a degree in chemical engineering and in 1984, she started as supervisor of quality control at Baxter. Then, in 1987, she moved to IPR Pharmaceutical as its processing engineer. In 1989, she went to Merck to work as a processing engineer and soon moved up to the position of director of manufacturing operations for Caguas, Barceloneta and Arecibo. In 2001, she was named general manager and in 2002 vice president for Puerto Rico operations, which at that time, generated 57% of the worldwide sales of the company.