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Marvel Andrea Welch is a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Nation and currently is a PhD. Candidate in Public Health at Walden University. Marvel's concentration is on Community Health Promotions that discovers and advocates programing in the medical, social, political, ethical, and economic factors that contribute to the overall wellbeing of public health systems.

2005 Marvel graduated from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville with a Masters in Social Work with a concentration on Clinical Social Work. She began working with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Nations Mental Health and Substance Abuse program as a Child and Family Therapist, and Clinical Supervisor for the Child Team.

To date Marvel affiliations consist of the following:

Cherokee Center of Native Health Board

North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs

- Executive Committee
- · Indian Child Welfare Committee (Chairwoman)
- · Legislative Committee
- · Recognition

North Carolina Indian Health Board

North Carolina Minority Focus Group

North Carolina Native Leadership Institute

North Carolina State Cooperative Extension Advisory Board

Marvel believes that it is an honor and privilege to be a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee's and a fluent speaker of her language. She is proud of her rich and unique culture and tradition. Part of her values, moral, and ethical reasoning was developed through family, friends, and community. Marvel believes that everyone is a leader and you choose how to model leadership in the way you give back to your community.