



Personnel Changes within DMH

Mark Stringer, Department Director

Heidi DiBiaso, Assistant to Mark Stringer

Heidi moved to the DMH Director's office as Mark's Administrative Assistant. She has been Mark's assistant for over 8 years.

Bob Bax, Deputy Director, Department of Mental Health

Bob will continue as Deputy Director of DMH.

Dr. Rick Gowdy, Director, Division of Behavioral Health

Dr. Gowdy has been with the Department for over 28 years, serving as Director of Forensic Services for 18 years and DBH Deputy Director for the last year.

Vanessa Nozinor, Assistant to Dr. Rick Gowdy

Vanessa returns to the Division of Behavioral Health as Dr. Gowdy's Administrative Assistant. Vanessa previously worked for the Division and was most recently the Administrative Assistant for the Office of the General Counsel.

Rikki Wright, Deputy Director, Division of Behavioral Health

Rikki has been with the Department for 9 years, serving the last seven as General Counsel.

Denise Thomas, Acting General Counsel

Denise has been with the department for 4 years, and as Deputy General Counsel for 2½ of those years.

Dan Haug, Acting State Budget Director

Dan, who is Director of the Administrative Services Division at DMH, will temporarily serve as acting State Budget Director when Linda Luebbering retires in August.

Lynne Fulks, Acting Director, Division of Administration

Lynne has been the DMH Budget Director for the past 5 years.

Dave Kingsbury, Director of Deaf Services

David previously worked as Director of Student and Outreach Services for the Missouri School for the Deaf in Fulton and as a community support supervisor for Burrell Behavioral Health in Columbia. He has extensive experience working with people who are Deaf and have serious mental illness.

James Jackson, Director of Human Resources

James has been added to the Senior Management Team.

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