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## **New Deputy Director Appointed to DHS** Medicaid Director Will Move to New Role

(Des Moines, Iowa) – Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS) Director Jerry R. Foxhoven announced Tuesday that Iowa Medicaid Director Mikki K. Stier has been appointed to serve as Deputy Director of DHS.

In her new role, Ms. Stier will assist in overseeing the more than \$6 billion umbrella agency programs administered and operated by DHS. She will continue to serve as the head of the Medicaid program until a new director is found via a national search.

As Medicaid director since May 2015, Stier served as the primary architect for establishing Iowa Medicaid's goals for optimal health outcomes for low-income Iowans, and for financial performance of the state-run insurance program. Stier moved into DHS leadership in 2015 from her post as Vice President of Government and External Relations at Broadlawns Medical Center.

“Mikki Stier has many years of leadership experience working with government, and she understands the needs of Iowans who receive public assistance,” said Foxhoven. “Her role as Medicaid director will be integral to overseeing the medical assistance program and to continuing to innovate and provide comprehensive, sustainable coverage for about one-fifth of Iowans.”

Stier will begin her new duties as soon as possible.

“This is a great opportunity for me to move forward with DHS's commitment to continuous quality improvement and innovation,” said Stier. “I'm looking forward to this new leadership role and working alongside the dedicated, caring staff across DHS.”

Stier has more than 35 years of health care experience in several states, having worked with hospital startup, restructuring, development and growth in a number of executive positions. At Broadlawns, she was the senior executive responsible for external relations which included building an external network of business leaders and legislators to support the hospital's operations.

Stier holds a master's degree in health administration from the University of Colorado, a bachelor's of science in occupational therapy from Colorado State, and serves on a number of local and national boards.