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**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WELCOMES 2013 FLORIDA GUBERNATORIAL FELLOW  
MATLETHA FULLER**

**TALLAHASSEE** – The Florida Department of Health (DOH) is pleased to welcome Matletha Fuller as its 2013 Florida Gubernatorial Fellow. Ms. Fuller will serve as an Internal Communications Specialist for the Department within the Office of Communications.

“We want to welcome Ms. Matletha Fuller to the Florida Department of Health,” said Kim Barnhill, Chief of Staff. “The fellowship program is an exciting opportunity for the Department to partner with the Executive Office of the Governor to encourage young leaders to pursue a lifelong career in public health.”

Ms. Fuller earned her Bachelors in Political Science and English from the University of Florida and is currently working toward her Masters in Public Administration at Florida State University.

As an Internal Communications Specialist, Ms. Fuller will assist the Office of Communications in developing and implementing innovative strategies that will increase the effectiveness of the Department’s internal communications. Ms. Fuller will also work directly with Department executive leadership to gain a thorough knowledge of the Department’s mission and vision for public health.

The Florida Gubernatorial Fellows Program is a prestigious program that allows outstanding Florida undergraduate and graduate students interested in public service to gain professional experience and leadership training through direct involvement with state agencies. Florida Gubernatorial Fellows are annually selected by the Governor through a highly competitive process based upon their demonstrated academic achievement, leadership and community involvement. This program is overseen by a Board of public and private sector leaders including Florida Chamber of Commerce Executive Vice President David Hart, former Secretary of State Glenda Hood, and former Florida Governor Bob Martinez.

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