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**PAUL MYERS APPOINTED INTERIM DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR STATEWIDE SERVICES FOR FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

**TALLAHASSEE** – The Florida Department of Health (DOH) announced Paul Myers as the Interim Deputy Secretary for Statewide Services. He is assuming the role from C. Meade Grigg, who is retiring. As Interim Deputy Secretary, Mr. Myers will be responsible for the oversight and provision of direction to the State's 60 county health department Directors and Administrators who administer the services to the 67 county health departments. In addition, he will also have oversight of the Division of Public Health Statistics and Performance Management.

"I am pleased Paul has agreed to serve the people of Florida in this new interim capacity with the Department of Health," said State Surgeon General and Secretary of Health Dr. John Armstrong. "His experience will allow him to lead effectively and assist our county health departments in protecting the health and safety of our local communities in Florida."

Mr. Myers currently serves as the Administrator of the Florida Department of Health in Alachua County. He started at DOH-Alachua in 1988 as an Environmental Health Inspector, was promoted to an Environmental Supervisor in 1994, and then became the Environmental Health and Epidemiology Director in 2000. In 2008, Paul became the Assistant Administrator for DOH-Alachua until he became its Administrator in 2012. He also served as Interim Administrator for DOH-Gadsden in 2011.

Mr. Myers has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences and a Master's of Science degree in Environmental Engineering, both from the University of Florida. He is an active member and contributor to the American Public Health Association and the State of Florida Rabies Advisory Committee and serves as the Health and Medical Co-Chair for the Regional Domestic Security Task Force (RDSTF) for Region 3, and Vice Chair of the North Central Florida Health Care Coalition.

The Department works to protect, promote and improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county and community efforts. During 2014, the Department is recognizing 125 years of public health in Florida with educational opportunities and events. Please visit [www.FLHealth125.gov](http://www.FLHealth125.gov) for more information.

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