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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH APPOINTS DR. ADRIAN COOKSEY WILSON AS ADMINISTRATOR IN GADSDEN COUNTY



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Tallahassee, Fla.—The Florida Department of Health has announced Adrian Cooksey Wilson, DrPH., MPH., as the new administrator for the Florida Department of Health in Gadsden County. Since 2014, Dr. Wilson has served as the STD and Viral Hepatitis Program administrator for the Florida Department of Health.

"Dr. Wilson has demonstrated a long-standing commitment to public health," said Kim Barnhill, deputy secretary for County Health Systems. "Her extensive academic background in public health and her leadership experience within the Florida Department of Health makes her a valuable asset to the department and people of Gadsden County."

In 2013, Dr. Wilson was named interim STD Program administrator for the Florida Department of Health before transitioning to program administrator in June 2014. She is an adjunct faculty member at Tallahassee Community College where she teaches classes on health education, positive health behavior, nutrition and wellness.

Dr. Wilson earned her bachelor's degree in public health and community health education from Dillard University in 2000. From there, she earned her Master of Public Health from Florida A&M University, focusing on public health and epidemiology. In 2014, Dr. Wilson received her Doctor of Public Health from Florida A&M University.

Additionally, Dr. Wilson has published many academic papers related to her research on sexually transmitted diseases and has presented at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National STD conference. She sits on the Board of Directors for the National Coalitions of STD Directors, and she is a member of the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists as well as the Florida Public Health Association.

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