DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES LEPORE AS HEALTH OFFICER FOR CHARLOTTE COUNTY



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Tallahassee, Fla.—The Florida Department of Health has announced Dr. Frank Lepore as the new health officer for the Florida Department of Health in Charlotte County. An accomplished podiatric surgeon, Dr. Lepore joins the department after 14 years at his private practice in Middle Village, New York.

"Dr. Lapore is a distinguished medical professional and we are pleased to have him as the health officer for Charlotte County," said Paul Myers, Acting Deputy Secretary for County Health Systems. "His extensive medical, academic and healthcare administration experience makes him a tremendous asset to the department and the people of Charlotte County."

While running his private practice, Dr. Lepore also served as an affiliate physician in the Podiatric Surgeon Department of Orthopedics at Icahn School of Medicine in Brooklyn, New York. From 2005 to 2011, he was the Director of Podiatric Specialty Clinics at Long Island College Hospital and held the same position from 2011 to 2013 at SUNY Downstate Health Science Center Long Island College Hospital Campus. In addition to providing health services, Dr. Lepore has also worked in academics and research. He has authored or co-authored several medical publications and research studies. Dr. Lepore has served as a clinical surgical residency instructor at Wyckoff Heights Medical Center in Brooklyn from 2002 to 2012.

Dr. Lepore earned his Doctorate in Podiatric Medicine from New York College of Podiatric Medicine in 2000 and an M.B.A. in Health Service Management from the State University of New York Institute of Technology in 2013. He also holds a Master's in Medical Technology from the University of Colorado School of Medicine. Dr. Lepore received a Bachelor of Science in Biology in 1991 from Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska and a Bachelors of Arts in Philosophy in 1994 from the University of Colorado Boulder.

Dr. Lepore is a Diplomate on both the American Board of Multiple Specialties in Podiatric Surgery and the American Board of Multiple Specialties in Podiatric Medicine. He also is a Diplomate of American Board of Quality Assurance and Physician Utilization Review and Diplomate of the American College of Healthcare Executives. He has also received several local and national awards for excellence in clinical medicine, outstanding service and professional writing.

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