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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH ANNOUNCES NEW MEDICAL DIRECTOR FOR CHILD PROTECTION TEAMS



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Tallahassee, Fla. — The Florida Department of Health is pleased to announce Bruce McIntosh, M.D. as the medical director for the Statewide Child Protection Team program. In this role, Dr. McIntosh is responsible for the management and oversight of child protection teams throughout Florida. These teams are medically directed, multidisciplinary units that supplement the child protective investigation activities of the Florida Department of Children and Families and law enforcement.

“We are grateful for Dr. McIntosh’s unwavering commitment to children in our state,” said State Surgeon General and Secretary Dr. Celeste Philip. “His wealth of knowledge and experience with these very difficult situations will benefit children and families as he takes on this important role full time.”

“Having devoted his career to children’s protective services, Dr. McIntosh will bring extensive leadership experience to bear in his new role,” said Deputy Secretary for Children’s Medical Services Dr. John Curran. “His medical background as a pediatrician, coupled with decades of experience serving and directing these teams, is what makes him ideal for overseeing the care of Florida’s most vulnerable children.”

Dr. McIntosh consecutively served for more than 32 years as a medical consultant and medical director for child protection teams in Jacksonville. Most recently, Dr. McIntosh has been serving as the co-interim medical director for the statewide program, along with Dr. Walter Lambert. Prior to this role, Dr. McIntosh served as medical director for the University of Florida First Coast Child Protection team from 2005 to 2014 where he was awarded the Child Protection Team Medical Director of the Year in 2008. He also served as medical director for the Children’s Crisis Center Child Protection Team from 1988 to 2004.

Dr. McIntosh is a Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatrics and is a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Child Abuse and Neglect. He received his bachelor’s degree in chemistry from Emory University and earned his Medical Degree from the University of Florida.

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