FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH NAMES NEW DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR CHILDREN’S MEDICAL SERVICES (CMS)

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Tallahassee, Fla.— The Florida Department of Health is pleased to announce today that Jeffrey P. Brosco, MD, PhD, has been named Deputy Secretary for Children’s Medical Services (CMS). As Deputy Secretary, Dr. Brosco will oversee the Division of Children’s Medical Services, the Office of the CMS Managed Care Plan and Specialty Programs, and CMS area offices.

“Dr. Brosco brings over 30 years of experience in the organization of health care services for children with special needs, practical experience as a clinician and administrator as well as leadership experience at the state and national levels which makes him ideally suited to lead this division,” said Surgeon General Dr. Celeste Philip. “I am confident that Dr. Brosco will be an excellent leader for Children’s Medical Services.”

Dr. Brosco currently serves as the Title V (Maternal and Child Health) statewide consultant for CMS, is professor of clinical pediatrics at the University Of Miami Miller School Of Medicine (UM) and served as a regional medical director for CMS from 2012-2015. For the past 21 years he has been served at UM’s School Of Medicine in several capacities, most recently as the associate director of UM’s Mailman Center for Child Development, director of faculty education development in the Department of Pediatrics and director of the Leadership Education Neurodevelopmental Disabilities Program. He is also the chair of the Pediatric Bioethics Committee at Jackson Memorial Hospital.

From 1998-2003 he was the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation’s Generalist Faculty Scholar; from 1998-2016, member of the Health Care Task Force on the Florida Developmental Disabilities Council; from 2001-present, director of Population Health Ethics at UM’s Institute for Bioethics and Health Policy and has been co-chair and a member of several newborn screening committees and workgroups throughout his career.

Dr. Brosco graduated from the University of Pennsylvania with a degree in history and sociology of science in 1985. In 1992 he earned his medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania School Of Medicine, completing his residency in pediatrics at Jackson Memorial Hospital. He returned to the University of Pennsylvania in 1994, receiving his PhD in history and sociology of science.
A CMS provider since 1997, Dr. Brosco continues to teach and practice both general and developmental pediatrics. He has been active in national health policy groups including the Newborn Screening Translational Research Network, the Advisory Committee on Heritable Disorders in Newborns and Children and the National Workgroup on Standards for Systems of Care for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs. He has published over one hundred articles in scholarly journals and periodicals, has received millions of dollars in research grants, and has given countless lectures, presentations and talks on topics from the history of 20th century health care for Philadelphia’s children to pediatric bioethics.

The department would also like to express its sincerest gratitude to its most recent Deputy Secretary for CMS, Dr. John Curran who is retiring after a long career devoted to pediatric medicine and public health. His service to the state of Florida and to the children and families in CMS is immeasurable and we wish him the very best.

For more information about the CMS Plan click here.

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