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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH ANNOUNCES INTERIM DIVISION DIRECTOR FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND HEALTH PROTECTION

~ Dr. Sherin to oversee programs in communicable diseases, environmental health and epidemiology ~

**TALLAHASSEE** – State Surgeon General and Secretary of Health Dr. John Armstrong today appointed Kevin Sherin, MD, MPH, MBA, FACPM, to serve as the Interim Director of the Division for Disease Control and Health Protection, effective Jan. 11. Dr. Sherin will oversee bureau programs of communicable diseases, environmental health and epidemiology. He is currently the Director of the Orange County Health Department.

"Dr. Sherin brings tremendous skills in collaboration and leadership to this division," said Dr. Armstrong. "He understands that disease control is best achieved through integrated state, county, and community efforts."

Prior to his work in Orange County, he was a residency Director at the University of Illinois Family Medicine Residency at Advocate Christ Medical Center in Chicago from 1994-2004. He graduated from the University of Notre Dame, received his MD from Loyola Medical School, in Chicago, and received an MPH from the University Of Illinois College Of Public Health in Chicago, and completed an MBA from the University of Massachusetts, Isenberg School of Management at Amherst. He completed a residency in Family Practice with the University of Illinois and served as Chief Resident. He completed the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Public Health Leadership Institute and its new health officer orientation.

Dr. Sherin is a Past President of the Florida Public Health Association, Florida Association of County Health Officials, and the American Association of Public Health Physicians. He has served on local and national Public Health and Family Practice boards and co-chaired national work groups. He is a Past Board Chair of the Florida Public Health Institute, served on the State Tobacco Advisory Council, and currently serves on the National Association of County and City Health Officials Board.

Between 1990-2000, Dr. Sherin established three HIV clinics in three cities, and two states and served as an HIV Clinician. He has authored and is publishing guidelines for HIV in Public Health and Primary Care.

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