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To protect, promote & improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county & community efforts.



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## Department Extends Sympathy at the passing of Larry Lee, St. Lucie County Health Officer

**TALLAHASSEE** — The Florida Department of Health extends condolences to the family of Larry Lee, administrator of the Florida Department of Health in St. Lucie County (DOH- St. Lucie.) Lee passed away today after an extended illness.

"Larry Lee was a champion for protecting the health and safety of the people of Florida," said State Surgeon General and Secretary of Health Dr. John Armstrong. "Our thoughts are with Larry's family, and we express our deep appreciation for his service and our sympathy during this difficult time."

Larry Lee joined the DOH - St. Lucie in 1996 as the Human Resources Manager. He served as deputy administrator and then as administrator of DOH - St. Lucie since 2005. Lee was a registered nurse and had a Master of Arts from the University of Minnesota. Before moving to Florida, he worked for the city of Minneapolis directing economic development and neighborhood redevelopment programs. Lee also served on the Board of the Florida Association of County Health Officers as well as the Department of Health's Fiscal Management Advisory Council. Recently, he served as interim director for the Department of Health's Division of Emergency Preparedness and Community Support.

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