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Hannah King Promoted to HIP/CMHC Program Administrator

FRANKFORT, Ky. (May 3, 2019) – Kentucky Division of Substance Abuse Programs Director Sarah Johnson today announced that Hannah King has been promoted from her position as a social service clinician to a HIP/CMHC program administrator in the division. Her promotion was effective May 1.

In this role King will be leading the statewide efforts for assessing any individual who qualifies for the Home Incarceration Program (HIP) for substance abuse treatment needs prior to release. This is a new initiative by the SAP Division allowing treatment services to be put in place prior to release, instead of being reactive after a violation occurs. King will also provide oversight to the contracted Intensive Outpatient (IOP) treatment through the 14 Community Mental Health Centers (CMHCs) to ensure adequate services are provided to clients across the state.

“We are very excited to have Hannah King in this new leadership position,” said Johnson. “King is an innovator with attention to detail and always focused on solutions and positive change. She has extensive community-based knowledge and has been instrumental in creating the community-based reference manual for new and seasoned SSCs. She has also provided education and training to probation and parole officers so they understand what we do and their role in helping us.”

King began state employment in 2005 with the Cabinet for Health and Family Services and for seven years served as a social service clinician investigating child protection cases. She started her career with the Department of Corrections in 2012 as a probation and parole investigator in District 8 where she prepared pre-sentence investigation reports for Madison Circuit Court. She was selected as District 8's Employee of the Year in 2014. In June 2015, she was promoted to a social service clinician covering portions of District 8 and later portions of District 14.

King has served on various committees and been part of several initiatives including one to expand the use of Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT). She also helped create a statewide SSC reference manual and served on a KOMS workgroup. She was recognized as SAP Employee of the Quarter for the third quarter in 2018.

A 2005 graduate of Eastern Kentucky University, King received her Bachelor of Social Work (BSW). While working as a child protection worker, she earned a Master of Science in Social Work (MSSW) from the University of Louisville. She currently holds a temporary certification as a Alcohol and Drug Counselor (TCADC).

Editor's note: Photo attached

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