

## **Kentucky Department of Corrections**

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## Shannon Butrum Promoted to Assistant Director of PREA Division

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (Nov. 13, 2019)** - Kentucky Department of Corrections Deputy Commissioner Randy White today announced that Shannon Butrum has been promoted to assistant director of DOC's PREA division.

"Shannon Butrum demonstrates excellent credentials, subject matter expertise, and the leadership drive necessary to fulfill the expectations associated with this position," said White. "She brings a wealth of knowledge and attributes to the table to include accreditation, PREA audit, security supervisor, and train the trainer skills to name only a few."

An 18-year veteran of the Department of Corrections, Butrum began her career in 2001 as a correctional officer at the Kentucky Correctional Institution for Women (KCIW). She was promoted through the security ranks at KCIW to sergeant in 2004 and lieutenant in 2006 before promoting to the position of procedures officer in 2007.

Butrum was promoted to training coordinator in 2016 before transferring back to the procedures officer position in 2017. During her time with the department, she has been a member of the Corrections Emergency Response Team (CERT), Hostage Negotiation Team, and served as KCIW's public information officer, litigation coordinator, and trainer for the Kentucky Offender Management System (KOMS).

In 2013 Butrum was named the PREA compliance manager for KCIW and became a Department of Justice (DOJ) certified PREA auditor in 2014. In this role, Butrum has helped lead KCIW through two successful DOJ PREA audits, participated in mock PREA audits for multiple institutions, and has represented the department during DOJ PREA audits for the Missouri Department of Corrections when Kentucky was part of a PREA audit consortium.

During her career Butrum has been recognized with several awards including KCIW Supervisor of the Quarter, a KCIW Achievement Award in 2011 and a DOC Commissioner's Award in 2015. She is a graduate of the 2015 Commissioner's Executive Leadership Program.

Butrum is an active member of the Kentucky Council on Crime and Delinquency (KCCD) and is currently serving as treasurer of the Executive Board. She is also a member of the Southern States Correctional Association, Compliance and Accreditation Managers Association, Correctional Peace Officers Foundation and the American Correctional Association.

## Editor's note: photo attached