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## **NYSACHO MEMBERS ELECT 2024-2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **LINDA L. BEERS, MPH, ESSEX COUNTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH BEGINS PRESIDENTIAL TERM; THREE NEW MEMBERS JOIN THE BOARD**

(Albany, New York) The New York State Association of County Health Officials (NYSACHO) today announced election results for its 2024-25 Board of Directors. NYSACHO represents all 58 local health departments in New York State and serves as the statewide voice for local governmental public health services and public health policy.

#### **LINDA L. BEERS, MPH, ELECTED NYSACHO PRESIDENT**

Linda Beers has served as the Essex County Director of Public Health since 2012, and previously served as the county's Director of Services for Children with Disabilities. She began her career as a public school teacher, and later focused her attention on supporting individuals living with disabilities. Ms. Beers completed her undergraduate degree at SUNY Geneseo, later attained a Master's Degree in Public Health at the University of Albany and holds a certificate from Cornell University in Healthcare Leadership. She has been recognized by several organizations for her leadership in public health, including receiving the Public Health Leadership Award from the New York State Public Health Association, and she serves on numerous state and regional public health boards and councils.

Sarah Ravenhall, MHA, CHES, NYSACHO Executive Director, said: "Linda Beers is proven leader and we are extremely fortunate to have her serve as the next NYSACHO president. Her years of direct experience on the front lines of public health and her accrued expertise will be a catalyst for our ongoing efforts to impart to state policy makers the role, value, challenges and needs of local health departments."

During NYSACHO's annual meeting, Heidi Bond, BSN, CPH, Public Health Director of Otsego County, was also elected by the membership as Vice-President. Heidi has been a steadfast champion for rural public health practice as a board member for NYSACHO and will be an asset to the association's executive committee.

In addition to the appointments referenced above, three new members were elected to join the Board. The new members include:

- Mary McFadden, BS, CPH – Broome County
- Keith Brown, MPH – Schenectady County
- Sherlita Amler, MD, MS – Westchester County

The 2024-25 Board of Directors begin their terms effective June 1, 2024. To view a listing of NYSACHO Directors and for more information, please visit:

<https://www.nysacho.org/about-us/board-of-directors/>.

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