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Director of Health and Health Officer Appointed

(Woodland, CA) – The Yolo County Board of Supervisors is pleased to announce the appointment of Jill R. Cook, MS, RN, PHN as Director of Health, and the appointment of Christian Sandrock MD, MPH as Health Officer. Ms. Cook has most recently served as Public Health Administrator for the Solano County Health and Social Services Department and Dr. Sandrock has most recently served as Yolo County’s interim Health Officer.

“We are fortunate to have such a strong leadership team in our Health Department with Jill Cook and Dr. Christian Sandrock,” said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Matt Rexroad. “Ms. Cook brings with her a rounded background in community health, primary health care, nursing and project management, with special expertise in quality improvement. Dr. Sandrock has already contributed greatly to the Yolo County community, especially during the H1N1 influenza pandemic as a nationally known expert in infectious diseases.”

Ms. Cook has held a number of public health-related positions with Solano County since 1996, beginning as a public health nurse and moving into management and administrative positions in 2004. She started her career in public health nursing with the Yolo County Health Department in 1994. She holds a Bachelors of Science in Nursing from the University of California, Los Angeles and a Masters of Science in Health Sciences, Public Health from Touro University International. Recently, Ms. Cook completed a fellowship in the California Health Care Foundation’s Health Care Leadership Program.

Dr. Sandrock began his tenure with Yolo County in 2006 as Deputy Health Director. He also serves as Assistant Professor with the University of California at Davis with specialties in pulmonary disease, critical care medicine and infectious diseases. He received his Bachelors of Arts at Rutgers University, Masters in Public Health from the University of Lund in Sweden and his Doctor of Medicine at Georgetown University School of Medicine.

“It is great to be returning to Yolo County where I started my public health career 17 years ago,” said Jill Cook. “This is an amazing leadership opportunity that will allow me to carry on my passion for improving the health and quality of life for large populations in California. I am extremely excited to join a forward-thinking, innovative county with a strong leadership team.”

“I am very excited about the direction in which the Yolo County Health Department is moving,” said Dr. Christian Sandrock. “I especially look forward to working with Ms. Cook. The department will benefit greatly from her leadership and expertise.”

Ms. Cook will assume her new responsibilities on March 21. The annual salary range for the Director of Health is \$128,400-\$156,072. Dr. Sandrock’s Health Officer services have been contracted through the University of California, Davis in the amount of \$168,480 annually.

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Attachments: Pictures of Jill Cook and Dr. Christian Sandrock