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Summit County Health Department selects Shelley Worley as next Deputy Health Director

Summit County, UTAH (July 16, 2021) — The Summit County Health Department has selected Shelley Worley as its next Deputy Health Director, effective July 26, 2021. Worley has been serving as the Director of Health Promotion since 2017. She will succeed Dr. Phil Bondurant, who was appointed as Health Director earlier this summer.

“Shelley is a proven leader with a strong public health background supported by real-world experience. Given her careful and strategic way of thinking, she is someone who will help take this department to the next level,” Health Director Dr. Phil Bondurant said. “I am more than excited to work with Shelley in this capacity and I know she will continue to do great things in Summit County. Shelley’s passion for public health and connection to this community make her the ideal candidate for this position.”

The Health Department’s decision to select Worley came after a competitive interview process involving multiple candidates from all over the state. The decision was based on Worley’s vision for the department, sincere consideration of staff, and her post-COVID-19 recovery plans.

“I am so pleased by the selection of Shelley as the next Deputy Health Director for Summit County,” County Manager Tom Fisher said. “Part of our mission as County leadership is to train our dedicated folks to take on more responsible roles in our organizations when opportunities arise. Shelley is a great example of our value of promoting from within, and doing so because her training and experience makes her the best person to serve in this role.”

Originally from Northern California, Worley moved to Park City 32 years ago. She first joined the Summit County Health Department as an intern, working with former Public Information Officer and Emergency Response Coordinator, Katie Mullaly, on the Thriving Lifestyles program. After graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Health Promotion from the University of Utah, she joined Salt Lake County working in disease investigation. By 2014, Worley was back at the Summit County Health Department serving as a Health Educator. In early 2017, she was promoted to Director of Health Promotion. Worley still lives in Park City with her husband and three sons. Together, they enjoy camping, mountain biking and hiking.

Worley has played numerous roles in health promotion in Summit County during her five years as Director, including expanding the County’s suicide prevention programming, increasing its diabetes prevention services, and developing strong, integral relationships with the local school

districts. Most recently, throughout the COVID-19 Pandemic, Worley took on a pivotal role in Summit County's vaccine response, serving as the Mass Vaccination Program Administrator.

"It's been a privilege to live in Summit County and to raise our family here. To serve as a Deputy Director gives me an amazing opportunity to give back to my community," Worley said. "I'm excited to not only help improve and advance the overall health and wellness of the County, but to make sure that it's left even better for the next generation. I cannot wait to see what we do as a Health Department over the next couple years. Public Health is changing and we're going to be a part of establishing a new standard."

Summit County will begin the process to fill the now-vacant Director of Health Promotion position in early August.

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