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New Director to Oversee the State Office of Rural Health's Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker and Healthcare for the Homeless Programs

CORDELE, GA - Charles Owens, Executive Director of the State Office of Rural Health (SORH) for the Georgia Department of Community Health, announced today the promotion of Katrice Brown as Director of the Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker and Healthcare for the Homeless programs.

Brown, a Pinehurst resident, will manage these two statewide programs. She will focus on providing access to primary and preventive health to these underserved populations.

"Katrice is a tremendous asset to the State Office of Rural Health. Her dedication and innovative solutions to bring quality health care to underserved people earned her this promotion," Owens said.

Brown joined the SORH staff in December 2005 as a Programs Operations Specialist for the two programs she now manages. Some of the organizations she works closely with are the Georgia Department of Human Resources, Division of Public Health, Sumter Regional's Ellaville Primary Healthcare, East Georgia Health Care, the Migrant Farmworker Health Center, Lake Park, St. Joseph's Mercy Care and Union Mission.

Brown holds Master of Public Administration and Bachelor of English degrees from Valdosta State University.

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- 2) responsible health planning & use of healthcare resources and,
- 3) healthy behaviors & improved health outcomes.

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