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From: Sinikka Santala,  
Administrator



Subject: Director of Southern Wisconsin Center named

I am very pleased to announce the appointment of Jim Henkes as Director of Southern Wisconsin Center (SWC). Jim brings to this appointment a career dedicated to people with developmental disabilities. He started his career in 1981 providing direct care services as a Resident Care Technician. His first supervisory appointment was in 1989 when he was promoted to a Resident Care Supervisor. Since then Jim has assumed progressively greater levels of responsibility including duties as an Institutional Unit Supervisor, Program Services Director, Management Services Director and the SWC Deputy Director. Most recently Jim has very capably served as the Interim Director of SWC.

Jim has a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology from the University of Wisconsin - Parkside and is a licenced nursing home administrator.

Jim impressed me as a person of considerable integrity who possesses both the personal values and administrative skills that will be so important to the SWC mission. He also impressed me because he has a great vision for SWC to become the very best Center possible.

This appointment is effective August 5, 2007.

Please join me in welcoming Jim Henkes on his appointment as Director of Southern Wisconsin Center.

And finally, thank you, our partners, for your continued commitment to excellent services to people with disabilities and Wisconsin elders!

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Attachments

cc: Area Administrators/Human Services Area Coordinators  
All DDES Councils and Committees  
Disability Rights Wisconsin  
Mental Health Association of Wisconsin  
Wisconsin Council of Independent Living Centers  
Independent Living Council of Wisconsin  
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Board on Aging and Long Term Care  
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