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### **New DCTS Assistant Administrator**

Effective today, Lars Brown has joined the Division of Care and Treatment Services (DCTS) as an assistant administrator.

In this role, he joins Holly Audley, the other DCTS assistant administrator, in providing guidance to the seven care and treatment facilities managed by DCTS. Brown will provide oversight and support to the management teams at Central Wisconsin Center, Mendota Mental Health Institute, Northern Wisconsin Center, Southern Wisconsin Center, and Winnebago Mental Health Institute.

Audley will continue providing leadership to the programs and services offered through the Bureau of Community Forensic Services and the Bureau of Prevention Treatment and Recovery as well as providing oversight and support to the management teams at Sand Ridge Secure Treatment Center and the Wisconsin Resource Center.

Brown comes to DCTS with 26 years of state service. He started his state career in 1997 working with residents at the Wisconsin Resource Center. He moved to the Department of Corrections in 2013 where he worked on re-entry initiatives. Most recently, he served as a deputy bureau director in the DHS Division of Medicaid Services focused on public benefits eligibility and enrollment policy.

A veteran with active-duty experience, Brown has a bachelor's degree in psychology and a master's degree in criminal justice. He has a passion for improving government systems and seeing Wisconsinites live their best lives.