



EHCI Membership Meeting
Zoom meeting (see electronic invitation for details)
March 2, 2022
7:30am-9:00am

Mission: To be a leading resource for employer-sponsored health benefit plans in Idaho through education, collaboration and advocacy.

Please join us for a presentation from Sarah Omundson and Director Jeppesen, co-chairs of the council that brought together the Executive, Judicial and Legislative branches to combine resources and forge a path forward in behavioral health for all Idahoans.

Meeting Topic: Idaho Behavioral Health Council Strategic Plan

Wednesday, March 2nd at 7:30am to 9am



Sara Omundson | Administrative Director of Courts

Sara Omundson was raised in Boise, Idaho. She majored in Criminal Justice Administration and received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Boise State University in 1994. A year later, she entered the University of Idaho College of Law, graduating cum laude with a Juris Doctor degree in 1998. In school, Ms. Omundson focused on legal writing and appellate practice, serving as the Executive Editor of the Law Review and making her first appellate argument in front of the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. Subsequently, she was honored to serve a clerkship with the Honorable Alan Schwartzman of the Idaho Court of Appeals.

In 1999, Ms. Omundson joined the Idaho State Appellate Public Defender's office as a deputy, handling felony and post-conviction appeals. Three years later, she became the Chief of the SAPD's Appellate Unit, managing attorneys and support staff while also representing people in the Idaho Supreme Court and the Idaho Court of Appeals. In January of 2012, Governor Otter appointed Ms. Omundson as Idaho's State Appellate Public Defender. She was additionally appointed as Chair of the governor's Idaho Criminal Justice Commission in June of 2013, and as a member of the newly formed State Public Defense Commission in 2014. In July of 2016, the Idaho Supreme Court appointed Ms. Omundson as Idaho's Administrative Director of Courts. In 2021, Governor Brad Little appointed Ms. Omundson as the co-chair of Idaho's Idaho Behavioral Health Council. This effort supported by all three branches of Idaho government has developed a strategic action plan designed to address needs in behavioral health services throughout the state and to ultimately improve the lives of Idahoans.

When not working to support the Idaho judiciary and improve Idaho's justice system, Ms. Omundson enjoys the benefits of living in the state by hiding out in its beautiful mountain ranges and attempting to catch a fish.



David Jeppesen | Director of Idaho Department of Health & Welfare

David Jeppesen was appointed in January 2019 by Governor Little to be the Director of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, a cabinet position in the Governor's administration.

A native of Burley and Ammon ID, he earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics from ISU. He also holds a Masters of Applied Statistics degree from The Ohio State University.

After graduation, he worked at Capital One in Richmond Virginia where he eventually became the Deputy Chief Risk Officer. He then moved to Barclays Bank's United Kingdom Retail Bank in London as the Chief Marketing Officer. In 2009, the Jeppesens moved back to Eagle, Idaho, and David started a successful international bank consulting business. Starting in 2012, he worked at Blue Cross of Idaho where he was the Chief Marketing Officer.

David is married with 4 children and two grandchildren.