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## Sinnissippi Centers' Stacie Kemp Moves up to Chief Operating Officer Role Search will be conducted for a new Chief Clinical Officer

## (Dixon, IL)

Sinnissippi Centers is pleased to announce the promotion of Stacie Kemp from Chief Clinical Officer (CCO) to Chief Operating Officer (COO).

As Chief Operating Officer Kemp will now have the responsibility of overseeing all day to day operations and reports to Sinnissippi's President/CEO Patrick Phelan. As CCO Kemp had been responsible for overseeing the clinical operations of the agency.



"Stacie brings a dedication and energy to the position and a desire to innovate and a drive to provide the best possible care to clients while taking into account their unique needs," says Patrick Phelan, Sinnissippi Centers President/CEO. "We are lucky to have the person I believe is the strongest candidate in the entire state right here at Sinnissippi Centers," adds Phelan. "Since joining us just five years ago, Stacie Kemp has demonstrated the kind of transformational leadership that truly makes an organization exceptional. She has gained the trust and commitment of our clinical staff, and will do the same with our operations staff. She has also gained the respect of her colleagues across the state, and is seen as a leader in behavioral health in Illinois," says Phelan. "There is no one better suited for this job."

"I am proud of the work that we do at Sinnissippi and our responsiveness to community needs," says Kemp. "If we know there is a need in the community or we are approached about meeting a gap in service provision, we do what we can to close that gap. Over the past several years, we have grown significantly in our service provision and in our number of employees to support that, and I only see that increasing over the next several years," adds Kemp. "This new administrative level position not only allows us to continue to focus on providing quality, coordinated and responsive services to our communities, but it also prepares us for the continued growth that we anticipate as well."

"Having been born and raised in Carroll County and then returning to the area five years ago," says Kemp, "I am committed to our communities and the people we serve. There is something unique about the community relationships that exist in rural areas such as ours, and I am excited about the opportunity to continue to partner together to meet the growing needs of our communities," she adds.

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Kemp served as a clinician with Sinnissippi Centers' Mt. Carroll office from 2000 to 2002. From 2002 to 2008 Kemp worked in various leadership roles in child welfare in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. From 2008 to 2015 she worked at Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan, serving as Director of Performance and Quality Improvement and IT Business Collaboration. Kemp re-joined Sinnissippi Centers in 2015 becoming Vice President and Chief Clinical Officer.

Kemp has certification as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) and has a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Knox College, Galesburg, and a Masters of Social Work from Washington University in St. Louis. She is currently serving as the Board President of the Community Behavioral Healthcare Association of Illinois and was their Board Vice President from January 2019 – December 2019.

She is active in her community with the Dixon Family YMCA (Board member and Chief Volunteer Officer) and the Girl Scouts of the USA (Troop leader and troop volunteer).

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