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Arizona Medical Association Congratulates Newly Appointed Leaders of the Arizona Department of Health Services

August 27, 2021 (Phoenix) — The Arizona Medical Association (ArMA) extends a heartfelt congratulations to Mr. Don Herrington for his recent appointment as interim director of the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS). A well-established leader with thorough knowledge of ADHS' core operations, Mr. Herrington is a great selection to steer the department during this pivotal time.

ArMA also commends one of its own, Dr. Richard Carmona, the 17th Surgeon General of the United States, for being appointed senior public health advisor to the department. Dr. Carmona is currently an honorary member of ArMA and joined the organization more than 35 years ago. In addition to being the former Surgeon General of the United States, he has held numerous public health positions and is an outstanding choice to advise on the state's ongoing response to COVID-19.

"The vast amount of public health knowledge and expertise shared between Mr. Herrington and Dr. Carmona speaks for itself," stated Miriam Anand, MD, ArMA President. "ArMA is grateful for the collaborative relationship we have with ADHS, and we look forward to working closely with both Mr. Herrington and Dr. Carmona as we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic."

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