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Biographic Sketch

Melita Jordan is Director of Community Health & Wellness formerly the Chronic Disease Prevention & Control Services at the New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH), Division of Family Health Services. As Director of Community Health & Wellness Unit Ms. Jordan responsibilities include programmatic and fiscal over-site of the Office of Tobacco Control, Nutrition and Fitness, Office of Cancer Control and Prevention, The New Jersey Cancer Education and Early Detection Program, Office of Women's Health, Diabetes, Heart Disease & Stroke, Huntington's, Chronic Renal, Cystic Fibrosis, Asthma In-Home Intervention program and epidemiology evaluation/ surveillance section.

Ms. Jordan also oversees the Coordinated Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion State Plan (Partnering For A Healthy New Jersey) and serves as the Health Commissioner's designee for the Governor's taskforce for Multiple Sclerosis and the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (GCADA) and serves as a participant on the Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant Evaluation Work Group Committee.

Prior to her current position, Ms. Jordan served in Pennsylvania as Director of the Bureau of Family Health, Pennsylvania Department of Health where she was responsible for overseeing Maternal Child Health and Adult Services including the Chronic Renal Disease Program, Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Newborn Screening and Genetics and Community Systems Development and Outreach. Ms. Jordan has served as a grant reviewer for federal public health programs to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Maternal Child Health Bureau.

Ms. Jordan served for six years as an Adjunct Professor at Drexel University School of Public Health, Division of Community Health in Philadelphia and Sacramento, California.

Melita earned her Masters of Science in Nursing Degree from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey and her Bachelor's of Science Degree in Nursing from Seton Hall University.

Ms. Jordan was the recipient of the Pennsylvania Perinatal Partnership Leadership Award in 2010 and the Dorothy Fleming Award in Health Policy and Advanced Practice for leadership and advocacy in health policy in 2004 from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey.