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Panhandle Public Health District Director Kim Engel Elected to the Board of the National Association of County and City Health Officials

Hemingford, NE—[The National Association of County and City Health Officials](#) (NACCHO), representing the nation’s nearly 3,000 local governmental health departments, has elected Kim Engel, MBA, Director of Panhandle Public Health District, to its 2019-2020 Board of Directors. Engel began her first term on July 1, 2019.

NACCHO is governed by a 27-member board comprising local and tribal health officials who are elected by their peers. The Board also includes *ex-officio* members representing the National Association of Counties and the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

As the governing body, NACCHO’s Board of Directors establishes NACCHO’s strategic direction and initiatives, sets the annual legislative agenda, approves official policy statements, ensures that annual goals are met, and provides financial oversight. The Board is NACCHO’s public face, and represents members in matters of policy, public health practice, and collaboration with health partners in the public and private sectors.

Engel has been the Director of Panhandle Public Health District since August 2003. The District serves a population of approximately 89,000 people in the counties of Banner, Box Butte, Cheyenne, Dawes, Deuel, Garden, Grant, Kimball, Morrill, Scotts Bluff, Sheridan and Sioux Counties.

“I look forward to serving on the NACCHO Board, bringing a smaller local health department perspective to the work of the organization. I am passionate about public health and working together with partners to improve the health of our communities. NACCHO is a great organization and an effective means to collectively make a difference across the nation,” Engel said.

For more information about Panhandle Public Health District, visit www.pphd.org.

About NACCHO

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) represents the nation's nearly 3,000 local governmental health departments. These city, county, metropolitan, district, and tribal departments work every day to protect and promote health and well-being for all people in their communities. For more information about NACCHO, please visit www.naccho.org.

About PPHD

Panhandle Public Health District is working together to improve the health, safety and quality of life for all who live, learn, work and play in the Panhandle. Our vision is that we are a healthier and safer Panhandle Community.

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