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**THREE RIVERS DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT LEADER NAMED  
TO NACCHO BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Georgia Heise DrPH, director of the Three Rivers District Health Department in Owenton, KY has been recently elected to the Board of Directors of the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) and will formally assume those duties in July at the Association's annual meeting in Memphis, Tennessee. NACCHO represents the nation's 2,800 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.

Dr. Heise provides public health leadership addressing Carroll, Gallatin, Owen and Pendleton counties' health needs and will now participate in health policy leadership at the national level.

"It is an honor and privilege to be part of this important organization that provides public health leadership across the country," said Heise. "NACCHO is a vital link for policy makers on the federal level to those of us who are working to protect and improve the health of our local communities. NACCHO also provides us (local health officials) with a forum to share best practices and tools for improving delivery of service in our communities."

County Judge Executive Henry Bertram who is also the Chairman of the Three Rivers District Health Department Board and the Pendleton County Health Center Board expressed his congratulations to Dr. Heise noting, "Your passion for the health and wellbeing of our citizens is rising with you to the national level where you will share what is working well for us and learn best practices from across the nation that can be applied here at home."

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