

Theresa Eagleson
Director, Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services

Theresa Eagleson has served as director of the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services since January 2019. Immediately prior to her appointment by Governor Pritzker, she was the executive director of the Office of Medicaid Innovation at the University of Illinois for four years. Director Eagleson had previously been the longest serving Medicaid director in the state's history, from 2007-2014. She has served in policy and administrative positions in state government since 1990, with a concentration in human services and healthcare. Her career included Governor's budget and policy teams under two previous administrations and 15 years at the Department of Healthcare and Family Services.



Director Eagleson is a founding board member of the National Association of Medicaid Directors and was elected by her peers to serve two terms. She was also a member of the Edgar Fellows Class of 2014.