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Morgan Winters Confirmed as Get Covered Illinois Director *Director Winters will lead Illinois' transition to an independent, State-Based Health Insurance Marketplace*

Springfield—The Illinois State Senate confirmed the appointment of Morgan Winters as the Director of Get Covered Illinois. [Get Covered Illinois](#), a division of the Illinois Department of Insurance (IDOI), is the official Health Insurance Marketplace for Illinois consumers to purchase quality, affordable health coverage. Get Covered Illinois is transitioning to become a fully independent State-Based Marketplace for plan year 2026.

“We are very fortunate to have Director Winters leading Illinois’ transition to a State-Based Marketplace,” **said IDOI Acting Director Ann Gillespie**. “This work is vital to expanding healthcare access, affordability, and choice for the people of Illinois. Director Winters’ vast Marketplace and leadership experience will be invaluable during this transition.”

An experienced healthcare professional, Winters most recently served as the Deputy Director and Chief Operating Officer for MNsure, Minnesota’s Health Insurance Marketplace. Winters’ leadership with MNsure also includes previous service as the Senior Director of Business Operations, Director of Policy and Plan Management, and Manager of Operations and Contact Center. Winters was recognized by his peers and was awarded the State of Minnesota’s IT Project of the Year in 2022 for his strategic leadership executing the provisions of the American Rescue Plan Act.

“I am honored to have been chosen to lead Illinois’ transition to a State-Based Marketplace,” **said Get Covered Illinois Director Winters**. “I’m looking forward to continuing my work with the Get Covered Illinois team as we build a Marketplace that responds to the unique needs of our state residents.”

Under Director Winters’ leadership, [Get Covered Illinois enrolled nearly 466,000 Illinoisans in health plans during the 2025 Health Insurance Marketplace Open Enrollment Period](#), a 17% increase from the previous year. He will now focus organizational efforts on completing Get Covered Illinois’ transition to a State-Based marketplace. Follow our progress [here](#).

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