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Nunavut gets new Assistant Chief Medical Officer of Health

IQALUIT, Nunavut (September 3, 2004) – The Department of Health and Social Services has hired a full time Assistant Chief Medical Officer of Health (ACMOH).

The announcement was made today by Health and Social Services Minister Levinia Brown.

"This is a big step in securing direction and stability in the area of public health," said Brown. "Public health is essential in building healthy communities."

Dr. Geraldine Osbourne initially came to Nunavut from Ireland in 2001 as the Assistant CMOH, and took over the role of CMOH when Dr. Ann Roberts resigned a year later.

"I am very happy to be back in Nunavut," Osbourne said. "I look forward to helping bring care closer to home in a place that has always felt like home to me."

The Department of Health and Social Services has been actively recruiting for a full time Chief Medical Officer of Health and hopes to have that position filled by next month.

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