



Michelle L. Allen currently serves as the State STD Director for the Georgia Department of Public Health. Before becoming director, Ms. Allen's career path was primarily in field services where she served for sixteen years. Ms. Allen presently oversees statewide STD prevention services to ensure all activities and initiatives work in unison toward the goals of the STD Program. Ms. Allen also assists in the development of policies and procedures and directs planning and operational activities. Ms. Allen is a shining example of what it means to be a champion for public health as she continually strives to move the Georgia Department of Public Health from "Good to Great". As the State STD Director, Ms. Allen also serves on the advisory board for the STD/HIV Prevention Training Center at John Hopkins University. Ms. Allen is also on the Board of Directors for the National Coalition of STD Directors. Ms. Allen's work has been recognized by several institutions. She has received the Leadership in Health Award by the Greater Atlanta National Pan Hellenic Council, the Gerald Ludd Lifetime Award for Excellence in Support of HIV/AIDS and Community Service by the (NAESM) National Aids Education and Services for Minorities, Inc, and the 2014 Janet Stancliff Epidemiology Award from the Georgia Public Health Association. Ms. Allen has been invited to speak at national conferences including the National STD Conference, the HIV Prevention Leadership Conference and the American Public Health Association Conference. Ms. Allen continues to dedicate her heart and passion to

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