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**New Department Updates**

Coordinating Board for Higher Education  
September 11, 2019

**BACKGROUND**

The Missouri Department of Higher Education became the Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development (DHEWD) on August 28, 2019. The new name reflects the department's broader scope of responsibilities and resources.

A face sheet showing the DHEWD leadership team is included as an attachment.

The department has also adopted a new logo.



DHEWD staff look forward to working with the board and partner colleges and universities look forward to develop a set of priorities that will move the state toward the department's vision, "Every Missourian empowered with the skills and education needed for success."

**RECOMMENDATION**

This is an information item only.

**ATTACHMENT**

- DHEWD Leadership Team Face Sheet

# Meet DHEWD senior staff...

## Commissioner's Office



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*Commissioner*



**Danielle Briot**  
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*Director of Transformation*

## Leadership Team



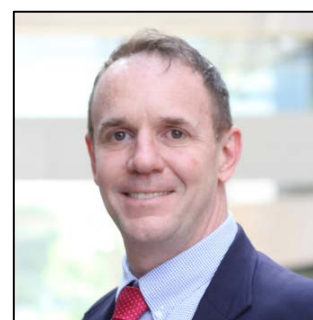
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