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To: EMS System

From: Tammi McConnell, MSN, RN, EMS Director 

Subject: **OCEMS Systems and Standards Chief Announcement**

Orange County Emergency Medical Services (OCEMS) is pleased to announce Kristen Karpow as the new Systems and Standards Chief. Kristen will be responsible for managing staff for the oversight of the various components of the EMS system including facility emergency receiving center and specialty designations, policies and procedures, training and education, paramedics/ALS, emergency medical technicians, ambulance companies, and discipline.

Kristen earned her Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology from UC Irvine and her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Vanguard University. Over her 10 years of working as an Emergency Department nurse at Orange County Global Medical Center, she has advanced through various roles in the department. She started as a staff nurse and became a MICN, then earned a position as a charge nurse, and finally was promoted to ED Director in September 2020 where she remained before joining OCEMS.

We are thankful for her commitment to use her experience and expertise for the service of all of Orange County.

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