

# [Rick Mueller Named Deputy Director for the IHS Office of Urban Indian Health Programs](#)

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Mr. Rick Mueller is the new Deputy Director for the IHS Office of Urban Indian Health Programs' (OUIHP) in Rockville, MD. Rick Mueller is an enrolled member of the Central Council of the Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska. As Deputy Director of the OUIHP, Mr. Mueller is responsible for providing leadership and oversight of the Title V, Indian Health Care Improvement Act initiative and Urban health care delivery system as well as supervising staff and duties. Mr. Mueller has been with the OUIHP since February 2014 and previously served as the Health System Specialist with OUIHP, where he provided policy analysis and development support for a wide-range of health care delivery and support activities for 41 urban Indian organizations. Before joining the IHS, Mr. Mueller worked a number of years in Alaska with regional Native health corporations, serving in various administrative capacities. Mr. Mueller holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, AZ, and later earned a master's degree in business administration, with a concentration in health service administration, from Alaska Pacific University in Anchorage, AK. We congratulate and welcome him as he embarks in this critical leadership role for the agency.