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Christie Hager was appointed to the position of Regional Director of Region I of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, in April 2010. Previously, she was Chief Health Counsel to the Speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives during the development, drafting, and first three years of implementation of the Massachusetts health reform law enacted in 2006. Christie is the former Deputy Director of the Division of Public Health Practice at the Harvard School of Public Health, where she is appointed to the faculty in the Department of Health Policy and Management. She was Director of the Massachusetts Health Policy Forum from 1999-2003 at the Schneider Institute for Health Policy at Brandeis University's Heller School, where she was appointed the first Senior Fellow. She has served as Chair of the American Public Health Association's Health Law Forum, and as President of the Massachusetts Public Health Association. She is also a former Staff Vice-Chair of the Health Committee of the National Conference of State Legislatures. Christie is a former Co-Chair of the Health Law Section of the Boston Bar Association, and past Chair of its Ad Hoc Committee on Health Reform. Christie has held research positions on the staff of the Massachusetts House of Representatives Joint Committee on Health Care and on the editorial staff of the *New England Journal of Medicine*.

Christie has held appointments on the faculties of the University of Connecticut School of Medicine and Suffolk University Law School, where she has taught courses on health law and state health policy. Her work has appeared in such publications as the *New England Journal of Medicine*, *American Journal of Law and Medicine*, and *Journal of Legal Medicine*.

Chris holds an A.B. from Smith College, a M.P.H. from the Boston University School of Public Health, and a J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law. She is admitted to the practice of law in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts.