

News from the Wyoming Department of Health

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Steven Gilmore appointed Administrator of the Substance Abuse Division,

Dr. Brent Sherard, Director and State Health Officer of the Wyoming Department of Health, is pleased to announce that Mr. Steven Gilmore has accepted the position as Administrator of the Substance Abuse Division effective December 1, 2005.

In making the announcement, Dr. Sherard stated: "Steve brings a wealth of experience to the Substance Abuse Division as a very capable administrator. He also has an extensive law enforcement background which will serve the Division well in its capacity to advance public education, collaborate with other providers around the State, and improve the lives of those individuals affected by substance abuse."

Mr. Gilmore has over 30 years experience in law enforcement, the first 19 years with the police department in Gering, Nebraska, and the past 11 years as the chief of police in Wheatland. During his career, he was appointed to the Governor's Domestic Violence Elimination Council, and has been a member of the Division of Victim Service Advisory Committee since 1995.

He is a member of the Wyoming Child Fatality and Major Injury Review Team, Wyoming Association of Sheriffs and Chiefs and has extensive experience as an instructor for the Wyoming Law Enforcement Academy. He was a member of the Nebraska Panhandle Substance Abuse Council and taught Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) for a number of years.

Mr. Gilmore was born and raised in Cheyenne but moved to Fort Collins, Colorado where he graduated from high school. He attended Chadron State College receiving a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Administration. He has over 2600 hours of training through the Wyoming Peace Officers Standards in Training Commission and is certified as a Professional Peace Officer.

When asked about his appointment, Mr. Gilmore stated: "Both my wife and I are very glad to be living in Wyoming. I am especially excited to start work with the staff at the Department of Health and the Substance Abuse Division. Wyoming has many unique opportunities to continue with the good work being done in education, prevention, intervention and treatment of substance abuse and at the same time move in some new directions to build stronger partnerships in communities. I am very pleased to accept this position and I look forward to continuing my service to the people of Wyoming."