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South Suburban College Dean Jeff Waddy appointed to National Network of Health Career Programs Board

SOUTH HOLLAND, IL—The National Network of Health Career Programs in Two-Year Colleges (NN2) announced last week the appointment of South Suburban College’s Jeff Waddy, MCHES, DrPH, Dean of Allied Health & Careers, to its board. Dr. Waddy is one of just three new board members elected at large from the membership in 2020. NN2 is the only interdisciplinary professional organization serving two-year colleges and programs. Its purpose is to promote and encourage innovation, collaboration, and communication among two-year colleges sponsoring health career programs.

“It is an honor to join the NN2 Board,” said Dr. Waddy. “SSC and NN2 will continue to strive to find new strategies for dealing with challenges in health care. Professional advocacy and clinical placement are pressing concerns during the pandemic. We must work together to resolve these challenges to allow our allied health students back into hospitals, clinics, and other institutions to make a positive impact.”

Jeffery J. Waddy graduated from Albany State College in 1998 with a Bachelor’s Degree in Biology/Chemistry. While pursuing his undergraduate studies, Waddy was a participant in the Multidisciplinary International Research Training (MIRT) Grant. This opportunity presented Waddy with the ability to perform scholarly research at the Max Delbruck Center for Molecular Medicine in Berlin, Germany. Prior to joining the Master’s Degree program at Southern Illinois University, Waddy worked for J Leek & Associates as a microbiology technician. After completing his Master’s in Health Education/Gerontology, Waddy relocated to the Chicagoland area to work with the Metropolitan Chicago Healthcare Council (MCHC). Founded in 1935, MCHC is composed of more than 140 hospitals and health care organizations in the Chicago metropolitan area.

Dr. Waddy joined SSC as Dean of Allied Health in 2005. He earned his DrPH Degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago’s School of Public Health in 2017. He currently leads [12 health care programs at SSC](#).

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