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Indiana DCS names assistant deputy director of field operations

Angela Smith Grossman brings more than two decades of experience

INDIANAPOLIS (Dec. 11, 2018) – The Indiana Department of Child Services announces Angela Smith Grossman as assistant deputy director of field operations, a new position that will focus on enhancing the agency’s foster and collaborative care programs.

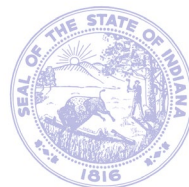
In her new role, Smith Grossman will collaborate with existing foster families in new and innovative ways as well as develop and implement programs to help improve foster care for children who enter the system. Among her top priorities is to create a targeted campaign to recruit foster families for older youth in care.

“I now get to work entirely on improving the experience of children who unfortunately have to enter our foster care system,” said Smith Grossman, who has been with DCS for 27 years. “I consider myself lucky to have the opportunity to serve Indiana’s families but also to continue serving alongside the most passionate and hardworking of staff.”

During her tenure with DCS, Smith Grossman has served the agency as a regional manager, local office director and family case manager supervisor.

“I know Angela will take her passion for youth in foster care and for quality placement homes and use that drive to improve our state’s foster care program,” DCS director Terry Stigdon said.

Smith Grossman has a master of social work degree from Indiana University. She also holds a bachelor’s degree in psychology from Purdue University.



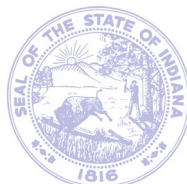
Indiana children will live in safe, healthy and supportive families and communities.

Smith Grossman's hiring is the latest in a number of steps the agency has taken to improve the experience for Indiana foster families. In recent months, DCS announced its [Foster Parent Bill of Rights](#) following conversations with area stakeholders and families about their needs.

*Angela Smith Grossman's headshot is attached.

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