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## Secretary Michael K. Smith Appoints Monica White as Interim Commissioner of the Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living (DAIL)

Mike Smith, Secretary of the Vermont Agency of Human Services, announced today that Monica White will be appointed interim Commissioner of the Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living (DAIL). Interim Commissioner White will assume the day-to-day operational and management control of DAIL in place of previous DAIL Commissioner Monica Caserta Hutt who has joined Governor Phil Scott's office as Chief Prevention Officer. Ms. White has served as DAIL's Director of Operations since April 2015, most recently leading DAIL's COVID-19 response efforts. She previously held positions in the Agency of Human Services Secretary's Office for eight years, as Director of Health Care Operations, Compliance and Improvement, and Financial Director. Ms. White holds a Bachelor of Science degree from St. Joseph's College of Maine, a Master of Business Administration degree from Norwich University, and is a graduate of the Snelling Center Vermont Leadership Institute. She will start her new role on March 14<sup>th</sup>.

