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### **Health Department Names Dr. LuAnn Brink as Chief Epidemiologist**

**PITTSBURGH** – The Allegheny County Health Department today announced the appointment of LuAnn L. Brink, Ph.D., as Chief Epidemiologist in charge of its Bureau of Epidemiology and Biostatistics.

“As a member of our senior leadership team, Dr. Brink will spearhead efforts to develop our surveillance systems, including health and disease monitoring. She will help lead our needs assessment process, a function critical to identifying and addressing public health needs,” said Health Director Dr. Karen Hacker.

Dr. Brink comes to the Health Department from the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health, where she served as Co-Director for the Academic Center of Excellence to the U. S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Environmental Public Health Tracking Network and worked extensively on various environmental issues including lead exposure, air pollution and asthma.

She previously worked for the Health Department as an Epidemiology Manager from 2004 to 2008, supervising disease outbreak investigations, conducting environmental hazard assessments and developing active surveillance systems for monitoring hospital emergency department visits.

Dr. Brink has a Doctor of Philosophy and a Master of Public Health in Epidemiology from the University of Pittsburgh and a Bachelor of Science in Biology from the University of Notre Dame. She and her family reside in Oakmont.

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