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DoIT Leadership Updates

Over the past few weeks, our senior leadership at DoIT has been strengthened and solidified with [Secretary Guerrier's confirmation](#) and [Jennifer Ricker being named Acting Assistant Secretary](#).



Secretary Guerrier's appointment by Governor Pritzker was approved by the Executive Appointment committee and was confirmed on February 18 by the full Senate. Guerrier joined the State of Illinois in March of 2019 and is leading our new agency in a 'back to the basics' approach to digital transformation. Almost one year later, advancements are being made to strengthen Illinois' technology infrastructure, while keeping an eye on emerging technology and the state's future workforce through STEM outreach.

Effective, February 10, Jennifer Ricker was named DoIT Acting Assistant Secretary after joining the agency in February of 2019 as Chief of Staff. Ricker will be the first to serve in this new leadership role. With twenty-one years of service to the State of Illinois, Jennifer has provided a wealth of knowledge and insight in serving as DoIT's Chief of Staff over the past year. In her new role as Acting Assistant Secretary, Jennifer will directly supervise the DoIT Group CIOs and apply primary focus to application development and technology delivery.



Congratulations to both and in the words of Secretary Guerrier, **"Let's Go!"**



Training Available for New Collaboration Tool

Microsoft Teams, which provides workplace productivity tools, is now available to all SOI employees with an Office 365 account. Teams allows users to meet, call, chat and collaborate all in one place. To better understand this new tool and its functionality, DoIT will host multiple training webinars. Available dates and times for Teams training can be found [here](#).

DoIT FYIs & Reminders



The Upward Mobility Program (UMP) is designed to give state employees an opportunity to work toward advancement in select career pathways. The program is currently open for registration and for more information, click [here](#) or contact Vickey.Longstaff@illinois.gov in DoIT Human Resources.