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Jerome Adams, MD, MPH

State Health Commissioner

Indiana State Department of Health



Jerome Adams was appointed by Governor Mike Pence as the Indiana state health commissioner on Oct. 22, 2014.

Adams currently serves as assistant professor of clinical anesthesia at Indiana University School of Medicine and as a staff anesthesiologist at Eskenazi Health, where he is chair of the pharmacy and therapeutics committee. Previously, he served as staff anesthesiologist at Ball Memorial Hospital in Delaware County, and as a physician rapid responder at both St. Vincent Women's and Indianapolis Orthopedic Hospitals.

He is a member and has served in the leadership of several professional organizations, including the Indiana Society of Anesthesiologists, the Indiana State Medical Association, and the American Medical Association, and currently serves as chair of the Professional Diversity Committee for the American Society of Anesthesiologists.

He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in biochemistry and a Bachelor of Arts degree in biopsychology at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, where he obtained research experience in the Netherlands and Zimbabwe, and worked under Nobel Prize winner Dr. Tom Cech. He earned his Master of Public Health degree at the University of California, Berkeley, and his Doctor of Medicine degree at the Indiana University School of Medicine.

Adams is married and has three children, and resides in Fishers, Indiana.