



**RON CHAPMAN, MD, MPH**  
**State Health Officer and Director**  
**California Department of Public Health**

On June 13, 2011, Ron Chapman, MD, MPH, was sworn in as director of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) by California Health and Human Services Agency Secretary Diana S. Dooley.

Dr. Chapman is a board-certified family physician who has dedicated his career to public health and medicine caring for the uninsured and underinsured in California.

Prior to becoming the director of CDPH, he was the chief medical officer of Partnership HealthPlan of California (PHC), a managed care Medi-Cal plan serving Yolo, Solano, Napa, and Sonoma counties. For six years prior to that, Dr. Chapman was the public health officer and deputy director of public health in Solano County, California. From 1998 to 2004, he worked at the California Department of Health Services as the founding chief of the Medicine and Public Health section.

Dr. Chapman has a medical degree from the University of Southern California, a Masters in public health from the University of Michigan and a Bachelor of Science from University of California, Irvine. He has completed fellowships in academic medicine at the University of California, San Francisco and graduated in the inaugural class of the California Health Care Foundation's Health Care Leadership Program. Before entering public health practice Dr. Chapman was on the faculty at the University of California, Davis School of Medicine. He is the American Medical Association 2008 Dr. Nathan Davis Award Winner for local government service.

Dr. Chapman's primary interests are in the areas of care for the uninsured, the interface between public health and medicine and chronic disease management.