ADP Director and Deputy Director

Kathryn P. Jett Director California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs

Kathy Jett was appointed by the Governor as Director of the California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs in November 2000. Kathy directs and coordinates the State's efforts to prevent or minimize the effects of alcohol related problems, narcotic addiction and drug abuse. The Department provides services that include prevention, early intervention, detoxification and recovery. She is also responsible for implementation of the Substance Abuse and Crime Prevention Act of 2000 (Proposition 36) and administration of the federal Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment block grant. Last year, the Governor appointed Kathy as chair of the Governor's Prevention Advisory Council. The Council provides the Governor with recommendations about the coordination of prevention issues in the state.

Kathy brings a unique perspective from her background and experience in both criminal justice and public health. Prior to her current position, she was appointed Director of the Attorney General's Crime and Violence Prevention Center in May 1999. In this role, Kathy assisted the Attorney General in advocating effective crime prevention policies and strategies, administering crime prevention grant programs, offering technical assistance to local communities on research "best practices" and model programs and communicating effective crime prevention messages. During her term with the Attorney General's Office, Kathy launched California Safe from the Start, a comprehensive strategy to bring community leaders from throughout the State together to address the impact of violence on children.

Michael S. Cunningham Deputy Director California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs

Michael S. Cunningham has had a long and varied career in health and human service policy and program development. He is currently Deputy Director for the California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs and Director of the Program Services Division. He is responsible for all aspects of the development, administration and continuous improvement of California's alcohol and other drug prevention, treatment, and recovery system and services. Mr. Cunningham has more than 25 years of experience in managing, directing and consulting with agencies regarding alcohol and other drug prevention and treatment programs. He has held management positions in agencies and organizations addressing critical health and human service issues and problems at the local, state and national levels. He possesses extensive experience and expertise in assessing, developing, disseminating, and applying public health and social services knowledge and research-based practices for agencies and organizations at all levels. He is highly skilled in the design, implementation and evaluation of culturally appropriate alcohol and other drug abuse prevention and treatment policies and systems. Michael received his Bachelors of Arts degree in Political Science from California State University Los Angeles and Masters of Arts in Government from Claremont Graduate University.