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**SHERI-ANN DANIELS SELECTED TO SERVE ON  
U.S. ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON MINORITY HEALTH  
First Native Hawaiian to Serve in this Role**

**(Kaka’ako, O’ahu, Hawai’i)** – Dr. Sheri-Ann Daniels, Executive Director of Papa Ola Lōkahi, has been appointed by U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Alex M. Azar II to serve a four-year term, effective April 26, 2019, on the Office of Minority Health’s Advisory Committee on Minority Health.

Daniels is the first Native Hawaiian to serve on the Committee since its formation in 1998.

The Committee advises HHS on improving the health of racial and ethnic minority groups, and on the development of goals and program activities within the Office of Minority Health. Committee members must have expertise regarding issues of minority health, and are selected based on nominations received from across the U.S.

“It is an honor to represent the Native Hawaiian community on the Advisory Committee on Minority Health at the request of Secretary Azar,” said Dr. Daniels. “I look forward to serving with my fellow committee members to address the unique needs of our diverse communities and ultimately improve population health outcomes.”

Dr. Daniels was named Executive Director of Papa Ola Lōkahi in April 2016. In this role, she leads efforts to improve the overall health and well-being of Native Hawaiians and their families, through strategic partnerships, programs and public policy.

In 2017 Dr. Daniels was appointed chairperson of Nā Limahana o Lonopūhā, the Native Hawaiian Health Consortium. An integrated network of leading senior executives and health care providers, consortium members propose progressive models of culture- and research-based methods in implementing prevention and treatment programs focused on systemic outcomes among various levels of Hawaiian health and wellness.

A graduate of Kamehameha Schools Kapālama, Dr. Daniels received her bachelor’s in family resources from the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources at the University of Hawai’i at Mānoa. She carries a master’s in counseling psychology from Chaminade University of Honolulu, in addition to a doctorate from Argosy University, and currently holds several license certifications. Dr. Daniels is actively involved in various community organizations on Maui and O’ahu, including Hawaiian language education.

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*Papa Ola Lōkahi, the Native Hawaiian Health Care Systems and the Native Hawaiian Health Scholarship Program  
Improving Hawaiian Health and Well-Being for 30 Years*

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