



## IACP Announces New Chief Executive Officer

**Urbandale, Iowa – April 12, 2023:** IACP Board Chair, Dave Comstock, announces IACP’s new Chief Executive Officer, Ben Shuberg.

“It is with great pleasure I share with you today some exciting news regarding our CEO search. Effective Monday, May 1, 2023, Ben Shuberg will be joining IACP as Chief Executive Officer. He will succeed Shelly Chandler in this invaluable leadership role for the organization.

As you know, filling this important role has been a task the IACP Board has undertaken with great care and consideration. It was essential to find the right fit for IACP – to find the right person to lead us in our next chapter. We believe Ben can do just that.

Ben joins IACP approaching nearly a decade of experience in executive leadership. Most recently, he served as Deputy Superintendent for Cherokee Mental Health Institute Hospital, Iowa Department of Health and Human Services. Prior to that time, he served as Regional Senior Director for Trivium Life Services.

What is most impressive is Ben’s experience with community providers, his policy and advocacy experience, and ability to build relationships with legislators, providers, MCOs and other leaders. Ben has impacted the lives of vulnerable Iowans through vital mental health and disability services, worked to address workforce challenges through targeted recruitment and retention strategies, and created employment opportunities for clients by leveraging private partnerships in the community, allowing individuals to become competitive and integrated employees. In addition, Ben’s existing knowledge of the Iowa healthcare system makes him uniquely positioned to succeed in this role.

“I believe I have a unique opportunity to leverage my diverse background, skillset, and education to enhance relationships with all stakeholders and navigate the changing landscape alongside the IACP Board and its membership,” Ben said. “Together we will find the best opportunities and resources needed to help our membership grow and sustain their services that are vital to Iowans. And of course, I will continue to relentlessly advocate on your behalf!”

You will hear more from Ben once he officially joins the team, but please join me in giving him a warm welcome.”

### **About IACP**

IACP has been relentlessly advocating on behalf of mental health and disability service providers for more than 35 years. They partner with over 125 community-based organizations to provide a wide range of resources to ensure provider needs are being met. IACP’s services impact organizations located in all 99 counties that annually contribute \$1.3 billion to Iowa’s economy.