

# David Knezek

## Chief Operating Officer Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

David Knezek is the Chief Operating Officer at the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. In this role, he maintains oversight of all units within the department and directly oversees the Economic Stability Administration, Financial Operations Administration, State Hospital Administration, Strategic Integration Administration, Communications Administration, and Office of Legislative Affairs.

Previously, Knezek was Senior Chief Deputy Director for Administration at MDHHS and Director of Legislative Affairs at the Michigan Department of Attorney General. Hi Prior to joining civil service, he was an elected member of the Michigan State Senate and Michigan House of Representatives, representing Detroit and parts of western Wayne County. Knezek also served our country as a United States Marine, rising to the rank of Sergeant throughout two tours of duty in Iraq as a scout sniper platoon member.

Knezek is a lifelong and active member of the Dearborn Heights community. He has served as a coach with the Mandela Washington Fellowship in Washington, D.C., and has been active with the Redford Township Jaycees, Dearborn Heights Goodfellows, and American Legion Stitt Post 232. He is a Silver Life Member of the Detroit Branch NAACP, a past board member of Starfish Family Services in Inkster, and past board chair of the University of Michigan-Dearborn Alumni Society Board.

He holds a BA in Political Science from the University of Michigan-Dearborn and an MBA from the University of Michigan Ross School of Business.

