

**Bio for Doug Porter,
Assistant Secretary for Medical Assistance Administration
Department of Social and Health Services
State of Washington**

Douglas Porter, a veteran health-care administrator, assumed the leadership of Washington's Medicaid program, effective December 1, 2001.

Mr. Porter previously headed California's Medicaid program (called "Medi-Cal") from June 1996 – January 2000. During his tenure there he was responsible for expanding mandatory enrollment of 2.5 million beneficiaries into managed care. He was also called upon to coordinate eligibility and outreach efforts for children in Medi-Cal with that for the new SCHIP program "Healthy Families."

Mr. Porter's public sector experience includes six and a half years as Deputy Commissioner of Programs of the State of Maine's Human Services Department, an umbrella agency of six social and health service programs, including Medicaid.

Mr. Porter was a Senior Associate in the Health Care Practice of PriceWaterhouse Coopers in 2000 and 2001. His clients included the Medi-Cal Policy Institute, the California Children and Families Commission and the California Health Care Foundation. His other private sector experience includes hospital management. He was the Chief Operating Officer for a 106-bed hospital in South Portland Maine, and worked in a variety of capacities for Community Care Systems, Inc. for nearly 15 years.