

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Ms. Janice Sherman

Janice Sherman is the **Chief Executive Officer** of the Mississippi Primary Health Care Association. Ms. Sherman was hired by, and reports directly to, the MPHCA Board of Directors. She provides leadership in developing and implementing MPHCA's plans and programs, and selects, organizes, and provides strategic direction to staff in efforts to ensure accomplishment of MPHCA's stated goals and objectives. Out of its total 20-member organizations, MPHCA provides intensive training and technical assistance to 10 of its primary care sites within the impoverished Delta Region. She has worked with federally qualified community health centers for over 20 years, including as a 2-time CEO of FQHCs. Her role in assistance the MS primary care provided will be greatly aided given her depth of consulting experience with HRSA in turning-around financially trouble primary care centers.

Ms. Sherman has also worked in senior staff positions in state leadership with the Georgia Department of Health in the Divisions of Community and Public Health, the Georgia Association for Primary Health Care (MPHCA's counterpart in GA) as well as Executive Director of the state Rural Health Association. As a federal HRSA consultant she has expertise in turning around financially challenged primary care practices into financially viable operations. She has led MPHCA in building a new infrastructure for an Independent Practice Association in support of strengthening the role of health centers in the Value-based Payment environment. She holds a Masters of Public Administration degree from the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies at Georgia State University.