



**TO:** The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

**FROM:** Betty A. Rosa, Interim Commissioner

**SUBJECT:** Appointment of Ceylane Meyers-Ruff to Acting Deputy Commissioner for Adult Career and Continuing Education Services (ACCES)

**DATE:** December 14, 2020

**AUTHORIZATIONS:**

**SUMMARY**

**Issue for Decision**

Will the Board of Regents approve my appointment of Ceylane Meyers-Ruff to Acting Deputy Commissioner for ACCES?

**Reason for Consideration**

Ms. Ceylane Meyers-Ruff has served as Assistant Commissioner of ACCES for the Department for almost two years. She came to the Department in 2017 to serve as the ACCES Director of Central Office Administration. Prior to joining the Department, she has served as Director of Employment, for the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities and as a Senior Legislative Budget Analyst for the New York State Assembly Ways and Means Committee, where she provided fiscal analysis and policy recommendations for Assembly Leadership on Executive budget proposals and legislation impacting the Office of Mental Health, Office for the Aging, Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services, Office for People with Developmental Disabilities and Developmental Disabilities Planning Council. She has also served as Deputy Director of the Citizen Action of New York. Ms. Meyers-Ruff also serves as a Board Member on the Special Olympics for New York on behalf of the Department. She has a Master of Arts Political Science from the State University of New York, Nelson A. Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy and a bachelor's degree from Utica College of Syracuse University.

**Proposed Handling**

This recommendation will come before the full Board of Regents at its Executive Session for discussion at the December 14, 2020 Regents meeting and then will come before the full Board for final action December 14, 2020.

### **Timetable for Implementation**

If the Board of Regents approves the recommendation, the appointment will be effective and she will start in the position December 15, 2020.

### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of Regents take the following action:

VOTED, that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Ceylane Meyers-Ruff for Acting Deputy Commissioner for ACCES effective December 15, 2020.