


CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI
OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Peter Zaroni, City Manager 

COPY: Executive Team; Nueces County Commissioners Court

SUBJECT: **Staff Announcement**

DATE: October 6, 2025

I have appointed Dr. Anita Kurian as Director of Public Health effective Monday, October 20.

Dr. Kurian has over 34 years of experience in the healthcare industry, with 23 of those years in public health. She currently serves as Deputy Director of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District, where she directly oversees all regulatory programs that include epidemiology, immunization, tuberculosis control and prevention, sexually transmitted infections, laboratory services, food and environmental services, vector control, air quality, and public health preparedness. Notably, Dr. Kurian led the Bexar County epidemiological response to the COVID-19 pandemic, successfully executing strategies that ensured the safety and well-being of the community.

Prior to her role as Deputy Director, Dr. Kurian held the position of Assistant Director of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District for over five years. Previously, Dr. Kurian served twelve years with the Tarrant County Public Health District, with over four of those years as Associate Director.

Dr. Kurian holds a Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery from Karnataka Medical College, a Master of Public Health from Rollins School of Public Health, and a Doctor of Public Health from the University of North Texas Health Science Center. Dr. Kurian also holds professional memberships with the Texas Public Health Association and the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists.

Dr. Dante Gonzalez will resume his permanent role as Assistant Director of Public Health and Safety.

Attached: City Organizational Chart effective Monday, October 20, 2025