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Letter of Resignation

It is with great consideration that I am submitting my notice of resignation as of December 13, 2024.

Serving as WV's State Health Officer has been the honor of my career. I want to specifically thank Governor Justice and Secretary Young for the opportunity to serve my home state as the leader of the Bureau for Public Health. I also want to thank the staff of the Bureau for Public Health, and local leaders such as local health department staff and administrators for the tireless work they do, day in and day out, to keep the people of WV healthy. I am incredibly proud of the work we have done together in rebuilding public health after the pandemic, and will bring the lessons I've learned to my work going forward. Public health staff are unsung heroes that keep us healthy and deserve our respect and thanks every single day. It has been said that "Public Health saved your life today and you didn't even know it" and that has never been more true than today.

Sincerely,

Matt Christiansen, MD, MPH