

Bernard BROWN

Interim Assistant Secretary, Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (OCDD)

Bernard Brown most recently served the Louisiana Department of Health as deputy assistant secretary of the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities, overseeing home and community-based services (HCBS) waiver programs and operations. He has held multiple roles during his decade-long tenure at LDH, with more than 18 years of experience across the public and private healthcare sectors, including managed care organizations and private hospitals.

Bernard is committed to strengthening service delivery systems that empower individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to live independently, participate fully in their communities, and lead meaningful lives. His leadership emphasizes accountability, performance improvement, and sustainable, data-driven outcomes.

A New Orleans native, Bernard holds a degree in public health from Dillard University and a JD from Southern University Law Center.