

■ Introducing Our New Director of Public Health

We'd like to formally introduce VIKAND's newest team member Dennis Peyton Jr., MPH. As our new Director of Public Health, he comes to us with nearly 15 years of practical public health experience, seven of which were spent serving the maritime industry.

Dennis is certified in infection control and brings with him a great deal of experience. He has managed public health and infection prevention and control aspects of COVID-19 international responses at Princess, Holland America Line, and Carnival Corp, as well as co-authored and implemented the world's first cruise line specific COVID-19 quarantine procedure.

He is also known throughout the industry for developing collaborative and lasting professional relationships, including key stakeholders at global health leadership organizations, such as the World Health Organization (WHO), U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Public Health Agency of Canada [PHAC], and throughout Europe via EU Healthy Gateways.

As an unparalleled presence and a collaborative thought leader in public health for the greater maritime industry, we look forward to Dennis' contributions to the VMM as well as VIKAND's future public health initiatives .