

Kymberly Cook, MA, Senior Vice President of Operations, Interim COO

Kymberly Cook, MA, joined CHS as executive director in 2008 and led a team of more than 200 professionals focused on advancing CHS' bold direction to end the need for foster care as we know it.

Throughout her career, Cook worked with agencies in both child welfare and juvenile justice with personal knowledge of direct care, philanthropy, advocacy and administration within agencies ranging in size and service delivery. As Senior Vice President of Operations, Cook oversees growth of CHS' evidence-based community solutions and partnerships serving the northern region from Gainesville to Pensacola and across to southern Deland.

Cook is known for creating longstanding partnerships to put children and families first and to advance solutions in child and family counseling, dependency case management, and education. Under her leadership, CHS implemented four Community Partnership Schools in Greater Northeast Florida and has expanded early childhood education and in-school counseling services.

Cook serves on the Florida Head Start Association Board of Directors and the CHS Human Rights/Diversity Equity and Inclusion Steering Committee.

Cook earned her bachelor's and master's degrees in guidance and counseling from Lael College and Graduate School in St. Louis.

