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**THE GOVERNOR'S PREVENTION PARTNERSHIP ANNOUNCES NEW LEADERSHIP**  
*ROLAND HARMON AND KELLY JULESON-SCOPINO PROMOTED TO CO-PRESIDENTS*

Wethersfield, CT (5/6/2020) -

The Governor's Prevention Partnership has announced new leadership, with the promotion of Roland Harmon and Kelly Juleson-Scopino to Co-Presidents.

Juleson-Scopino, who has overseen The Partnership's Resource and Partnership Development for the past 8 years, will now take on the role of Co-President and Chief External Affairs Officer. Juleson-Scopino is a Manchester resident and former State Representative.



Harmon has been with The Partnership for 10 years, most recently serving as Senior Director, Program Planning & Development. He is now Co-President and Chief Program & Administrative Officer. Harmon, a Hamden resident, led the team to create the Connecticut Juvenile Justice Mentoring Network and instrumental in securing federal funding to support the expansion of quality-based mentoring for system-involved youth.

*Partnership Co-Presidents Roland Harmon and Kelly Juleson-Scopino*

"Following the retirement of Jill Spinetti who led The Partnership for 13 years, Kelly and Roland displayed incredible leadership as Interim-Co Leaders during our CEO search process which coincided with the COVID-19 pandemic," said Jill Hummel, President of Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield Connecticut, and Co-Chair of The Partnership's Board of Directors. "They demonstrated a strong ability to lead during this unprecedented time by not only focusing on the immediate needs of those we serve but also quickly reimagining the organization's service delivery to better meet the needs of our youth now and into the future. I know I speak for the entire board when I say that Kelly and Roland bring the right level of energy, stability and innovation to The Partnership to meet the needs of Connecticut's at risk youth through a continuously evolving model that addresses the challenges of the day."

Juleson-Scopino and Harmon are determined to maintain The Partnership's commitment to the people we serve during COVID-19 and position the organization for the new challenges that lie ahead.

“It’s a new day at The Governor’s Prevention Partnership,” Harmon said. “We’re adapting our service delivery to meet this new age of social distancing, making sure that Connecticut’s young people have access to much-needed prevention services, especially now when they need them the most.”

“This is an exciting new chapter for our organization,” Juleson-Scopino said. “Partnership is in our DNA, and I couldn’t be prouder to serve as Co-President with Roland. We have an incredibly talented team and I want to thank them for leaning in and maintaining a laser-like focus on those we are privileged to serve during a time of transition.”

*The Governor’s Prevention Partnership is a statewide nonprofit organization that equips, empowers, and connects organizations, communities, and families, to prevent substance abuse, underage drinking, and violence among youth, and promotes positive outcomes for all young people in Connecticut. Created in 1989, the Partnership is a partnership between government and business leaders. Learn more at <http://www.PreventionWorksCT.org>.*