

New CIO Named for UNH and USNH

Bill Poirier will start at UNH Aug. 26

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Bill Poirier has been named the chief information officer for UNH as well as the University System of New Hampshire. He previously was the acting commissioner and state chief information officer (CIO) of Minnesota's IT Services Agency.

Tasked with identifying the state's technical direction and rebuilding its IT operations, Poirier guided operations of an agency with 2,300 employees with an annual budget of more than \$500 million. He also orchestrated development, procurement and project management of the state's IT infrastructure, business applications and GIS services with support to 87 counties, 300 cities and 200 public higher education campuses.

Prior to his work in Minnesota Poirier served as CIO and chief security officer for Charter Schools USA where he led research, development, innovation, physical and cybersecurity programs as well as nationwide IT operations in support of more than 8,000 employees, 84 K-12 schools and more than 70,000 students. He was also a general manager and CIO in the Air Force, leading a team that operated and secured the U.S. Air Force's \$6 billion IT enterprise.

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