

## Beverly resident appointed COO of Bridgewell



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Christopher Tuttle

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Bridgewell, a nonprofit providing social and human services that empower people with disabilities and other life challenges to live safe, self-directed and productive lives, has announced the addition of Beverly resident Christopher Tuttle as chief operating officer.

"Chris has established himself as a true leader in the field of social and human services," said Kelly J. Martin, president and CEO, Bridgewell.

"We welcome him to Bridgewell where we know they he be instrumental in not only expanding our presence statewide but also guiding individuals with disabilities and other challenges to achieve and enjoy their highest quality of life."

As COO, Tuttle will be responsible for the overall administration of programs and defined administrative services within Bridgewell. As part of this role, he will oversee and provide strategic direction for operational activities in support of regulations, policies, goals and objectives, including maintaining the exceptional quality of Bridgewell's services. Tuttle will also be actively involved in external activities that impact industry direction and enhance the operations of Bridgewell.

"Having worked in human services for my entire professional career, I look forward to joining Bridgewell and collaborating with the organization's talented staff to continue improving our critical programs and activities," said Tuttle. "Together, we can ensure Bridgewell is prepared and able to address all future challenges, including MassHealth payment reform, head on."

Tuttle previously served as director of operations for NFI Massachusetts, Inc., supervising the senior managers of five divisions and overseeing the organization's budget, helping it grow from \$18 million to \$30 million over a four-year period. He was also director of behavioral health and director of adolescent residential services at NFI Massachusetts. Prior to this, Tuttle was director of the Northeast Regional Resource Center, health and education services, in Beverly.

Tuttle earned a Masters of Nonprofit Management from Regis University and a BS from Metropolitan State College. He is also a member of Children's Service, CEO/Leadership Committee for the Association for Behavioral Healthcare, vice chair of the Department of Youth Services Provider Group, and a Board member for the Children's League of Massachusetts.

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