JILL FRANKEN, BSN

Jill Franken recently retired from the Sioux Fall Health Department, where she served as director from 2010 to 2021. As public health director, Jill also served as the executive director of Falls Community Health. Preceding her appointment as public health director, Jill served as assistant health director/public health manager for ten years. Her prior experience includes several leadership positions at Avera McKennan Health and an initial nursing career as a pediatric ICU nurse. Jill was honored as a South Dakota State University (SDSU) Distinguished Alumni in 2012 and was an EmBe Tribute to Women honoree in 2020.

Jill obtained her BSN at SDSU and her master's degree at the University of South Dakota. She completed a Management Excellence Certification through the University of South Dakota in 2004 and is a 2001 graduate of Leadership Sioux Falls. Jill is married to her husband Jerry, has three kids and two grandsons. Jill continues to be active in the community by serving on various boards and committees to continue her mission to elevate good work, facilitate positive change, and make an impact.