

**Estelle B. Richman**  
**Biography**

Secretary of Public Welfare Estelle B. Richman's career spans more than 30 years of public service, including her most recent position as Managing Director for the City of Philadelphia.

Prior to her appointment as Managing Director, Ms. Richman served as Director of Social Services for the City of Philadelphia.

Other positions she has held include the City of Philadelphia's Commissioner of Public Health and Deputy Commissioner for Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services; and Assistant Director with the Positive Education Program (PEP) in Cleveland, Ohio, a day treatment program for children with behavior problems.

A nationally recognized expert on issues of behavioral health and children's services, Ms. Richman has been honored for advocacy efforts by the National Alliance on Mental Illness, the American Psychiatric Association and the American Medical Association, among others.

She holds a master's degree from Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio.

She is the mother of two children and enjoys spending time with her four grandchildren.