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Hopes to get handling of unemployment checks back on track.

MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers announced Wednesday his appointment of Amy Pechacek as the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) Secretary-designee.

Secretary-designee Pechacek has been leading the agency as transition director [since earlier this year](#).



“The DWD has faced historic levels of claims, hindered by antiquated technology and burdensome bureaucracy created by those who always intended to make it harder for folks to access these vital benefits. Despite these obstacles, Amy has been exceptional, and I am grateful she will be able to continue her good work in the months and years ahead,” said Gov. Evers. “Amy understands that during these challenging and unprecedented times, Wisconsinites are depending on a government that works for them and does so quickly and effectively. I have great confidence in her leadership and ability to move the DWD and our state forward.”

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“I am pleased to accept Governor Evers' appointment to serve as secretary of DWD,” Secretary-designee Pechacek said. “It has been an honor to lead the agency over the past three months toward helping clear the backlog of unemployment insurance claims. I look forward to continuing our work to improve Wisconsin's unemployment system and support our state's economic recovery.”