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Ms. Johnson was born and raised in Danville, Virginia where she attended public schools; thereafter moving to Riverside, CA. After graduating from high school, she attended Riverside Community College, earning an AA degree in Sociology. Ms. Johnson continued her studies and received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology from the University of California Riverside, Ford Foundation Scholarship. After this, she received her Masters' Degree in Social Work from the University of California at Berkeley, Carnegie Foundation Scholarship. Ms. Johnson is a state licensed clinical social worker.

Deborah Johnson began her 41 year tenure with the County MH Department as a Psychiatric Social Worker. In 1999, Ms. Johnson made the leap from Management to Assistant Hospital Administrator for the Riverside County Regional Medical Center, Emergency and Inpatient Psychiatric Facility. Under her leadership, the Hospital earned many prestigious awards. In 2010, Ms. Johnson moved back to the Department of Mental Health first as an Administrator, then as Deputy Director of Forensics and now as Assistant Behavioral Health Director of Programs.