
Management Changes at New York Life and Aviva

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Dan Guilbert is now Chief Risk Officer at Aviva North America and Allyson McDonald is senior vice president, Retirement Income Security, at New York Life.

Aviva North America, part of global insurance and annuities company Aviva plc, has appointed Dan Guilbert to the role of Chief Risk Officer (CRO), the company's CEO, Igal Mayer, announced.

"By creating a separate regional Risk function... we're sending a clear message internally and externally that we will consider risk in all decisions we make," Mayer added.

Most recently, Guilbert served as Chief Actuary and Risk Officer for The Hartford Life Insurance Company in Connecticut as the culmination of a 14-year career with the insurer.

At Aviva North America, Guilbert will be responsible for bringing all aspects of risk—Enterprise, Financial, Operation and Regulatory, Life Insurance and Property and Casualty—under one function, and will work closely with Robin Spencer, Chief Risk Officer for Aviva plc.

In a separate move, New York Life has appointed Allyson McDonald senior vice president in its Retirement Income Security (RIS) operation, to lead relationship management for Third-Party Distribution. Ms. McDonald reports to Mike Coffey, senior vice president in charge of Third-Party Distribution.

Ms. McDonald and her team are responsible for developing and enhancing the relationships with the top third-party distribution partners who distribute both New York Life annuities and MainStay mutual funds. Additionally, she is responsible for leading New York Life's internal sales desk capability.

Prior to joining New York Life, Ms. McDonald was responsible for development and communications strategy at the Clinton Foundation. Before that, Ms. McDonald was senior vice president at Fidelity Investments in charge of sales and relationship management for their Charitable Services organization and also held positions at Goldman Sachs and Federated Investors. Ms. McDonald holds a bachelor's degree in Economics from the College of Holy Cross.

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