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Volunteers in Medicine Clinic of the Cascades Appoints Three New Members to Board of Directors

Bend, Ore. – June 7, 2016 Volunteers in Medicine Clinic of the Cascades (VIM) is excited to announce the recent appointment of three new members to its Board of Directors.

Joining the Board of Directors are Ken House, Jennifer Welander and Ann Rhoads. “All three of our newest board members embody the spirit of community and bring talent, expertise and energy to the table,” said Kat Mastrangelo, Executive Director of VIM. “We are very fortunate to have them by our side as we continue to have an impact on the health of our workforce and our community.”

Ken House, VIM’s newest board member, is the Director of Analytics at Mosaic Medical. Prior to joining Mosaic, he was the Director of Quality at St. Charles Health System and worked for nearly 10 years at Providence Health Systems in outcomes research and quality improvement positions. Ken received his undergraduate degree in psychology from the University of California and a master's degree in human development and family studies from the University of North Carolina. He is the chair-elect of the Oregon Health Authority's (OHA) Community Care Organization (CCO) Metrics and Scoring Committee and also serves on the OHA's Hospital Performance Metrics Advisory Committee and local subcommittees of the Central Oregon Health Council. Ken is excited to join the VIM Board, saying "I believe deeply in VIM's Credo that, in any ‘just’ society, every single person should have access to basic healthcare services. My mother volunteered at VIM for nearly a decade, and I’m honored to have the opportunity to continue that legacy."

Jennifer Welander, CPA, MBA recently joined the VIM Board of Directors in order to support the strong linkage of services and mission between VIM and St. Charles Health System, Inc. where she serves as the Chief Financial Officer. Jennifer obtained her education in accounting from the University of Oregon and began her career at KPMG LLP in Portland. She joined St. Charles in 2009 and has been in her current role since early 2015. “VIM plays an important role in addressing a gap in coverage that Medicaid expansion and other services have not fully addressed. It is an honor to be a member of the VIM Board and provide a direct connection to St. Charles to support the patients both organizations serve.”

Ann Rhoads is a CPA and a retired partner from PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP (PWC). She is a seasoned finance professional with more than 30 years of public accounting experience. Ann provided audit and advisory services to a wide variety of financial services clients, collaborating with all levels of executive management and board members. She worked in several PWC offices throughout the United States, including New York, Los Angeles, Portland, and Seattle. Ann graduated from Oregon State University and is a member of the Oregon Society of CPAs. In addition to serving on the VIM board, she also serves on the Tower Theater board and finance committee. “As a VIM volunteer I have been inspired by the medical team that delivers
quality healthcare at the many clinics each and every week. It’s been a pleasure to support their efforts behind the scenes. I am honored to join the Board.”

VIM is governed by a 13-person Board of Directors. The Board has expertise in medicine, banking, law, education, accounting, insurance, non-profit and for-profit management.

In addition to VIM’s newest Board members, the 2016-2017 VIM Board of Directors also includes: Chair, John Teller, MD of Bend Memorial Clinic; Vice-Chair, Tanya Hayden of Bend Research; Treasurer, Kate Dunning of Humm Kombucha; Secretary, Kurt Barker of Karnopp Petersen; Michel Boileau, MD of St. Charles Health System; Roxana Ermisch of Bridges to Communication; Aaron Gordon of US Bank; John MacMillan of Wells Fargo; Dan Stevens of PacificSource Health Plans; Kate Wells of PacificSource Health Plans; Emeritus, Bob Hakala, MD; Emeritus, James Lussier; Emeritus, James Petersen; and Emeritus, Rod Ray, PhD.

“VIM’s Board is a dedicated group, with deep roots in VIM and its mission,” Kat shared. “We are fortunate to have each of them as part of our team.”

About Volunteers in Medicine Clinic of the Cascades

Since 2004, Volunteers in Medicine (VIM) has been providing healthcare services to low-income adults in Central Oregon by utilizing the collaborative efforts of over 250 in-clinic volunteers and more than 400 community medical partners. VIM is a 501(c)3 nonprofit that is solely funded by individual, corporate, foundation and patient donations. For more information or to become a patient or volunteer, call 541-330-9001 or visit www.vim-cascades.org.

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