Community Health Centers names new President/CEO

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Community Health Centers, Inc. (CHC), has announced that Debra Andree, MD will become the health system's next President/CEO. Dr. Andree, who has served as the organization's chief medical officer since 2015, will succeed Margaret Brennan, upon her retirement in January 2020.

Dr. Andree earned her Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Miami and obtained her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from the University of Florida. She began her career at CHC as a Pediatrician in 2002 and was later promoted to Chief of Pediatrics in 2013 and then Associate Medical Director.

"I am proud to recognize our organization's rich 47-year history and appreciate the opportunity to serve our diverse patient base. Our success is directly attributed to enthusiastic team members, dedicated board members, a passionate leadership team and valuable community partners," said Dr. Andree.

"As the incoming President/CEO, I look forward to our continued work in providing quality and compassionate primary healthcare services in a timely and affordable patient-centered medical and dental home," she said.



Dr. Andree believes strongly in developing a workforce from the community, in life-long learning and the importance of educating future medical professionals. She maintains a prestigious faculty position with Florida State University Debra Andree, MD is the new President and CEO of Community Health Centers.

College of Medicine and is active with the Florida Association of Community Health Centers. Dr. Andree's goal is to ensure that CHC provides optimal, safe patient care leading to the improved health and well-being of patients.

"Dr. Andree is an exceptional choice to lead Community Health Centers into our next stage of growth and success," says Board Chair Nathaniel Friends. "She is an accomplished physician leader who has a passion for patient safety and quality of care. Through her years of experience, education, and research she has developed a reputation as an innovative leader and a strong patient advocate."

"It has been my sincere pleasure to lead this organization that is deeply dedicated to improving the lives of those within our communities," said Margaret Brennan, President/CEO. "I am confident that Dr. Andree will further enhance the reputation and abilities of our health centers. This is an exciting time for our organization, our patients and our team members."

One of the region's largest non-profit organizations, Community Health Centers, Inc., employs over 540 team members and cares for 70,000 patients annually throughout Central Florida. For more information, please visit chcfl.org

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