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Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic

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Nurse Practitioner Residency Announces 2020/2021 Residents *Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic continues training Nurse Practitioners*

YAKIMA – The Sollus Northwest Family Nurse Practitioner Residency Program announces the 2020-2021 cohort.

Sollus Northwest Family Nurse Practitioner residents train in the Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic model of high-performance health care: advanced access scheduling, planned care, the chronic care model, and integrated behavioral health/primary care, team-based approach, with expert use of health information technology and the electronic health record.

Joining the program is Jennifer Cortes-Klein, Claire Tindula, and Eliza Thompson.

Jennifer is completing her Doctor of Nursing Practice from the University of Portland, in Portland, Oregon. She is local to the Pacific Northwest and is a first-generation Mexican-American who is bilingual in Spanish.

Claire is completing her Doctor of Nursing Practice at Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing in Baltimore, Maryland after returning from the Peace Corps in South Africa.

Eliza is completing her Doctor of Nursing Practice at Columbia University School of Nursing, in New York, New York and is bilingual in Spanish.

The Sollus Northwest Family Nurse Practitioner Residency Program began in Yakima, Washington in 2014.

Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic launched the program to increase access to quality primary care for underserved populations and to provide new Family Nurse Practitioners with a depth, breadth, volume, and intensity of clinical training necessary to serve as primary care providers in the complex setting of the country's federally qualified community health centers. Since its inception the program has graduated 19 residents, with three set to graduate this June. A total of 13 Sollus Northwest Nurse Practitioner residents have gone on to join Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic care teams.

The program is specifically intended for family nurse practitioners who are committed to developing careers as primary care providers in community health centers or other safety-net settings. The residency is a full-time, 12-month salaried position, and includes precepted primary care sessions, specialty rotations, mentored independent clinics and didactic sessions.

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Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic: a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that provides comprehensive medical, dental, behavioral health, and social services for more than 166,000 people. We employ 1,529 full-time staff and 1,109 part-time staff, medical residents, dental residents, administrative fellows, students, and volunteers. Facilities: 72 unique service locations in Washington (Benton, Franklin, Spokane, Whitman, and Yakima counties) and Oregon (Clatsop, Marion, Multnomah, Umatilla, and Yamhill counties) Our Mission: Together we are dedicated to lead, with the courage to care, the determination to promote personal growth, and the compassion to champion the cause of those who have no voice. Visit: www.yvwfc.com