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Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic Welcomes New Clinic Manager

Margarita Bonilla appointed Clinic Manager at Prosser's Valley Vista Medical Group

PROSSER - Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic is pleased to announce Margarita Bonilla as the new Clinic Manager for Valley Vista Medical Group in Prosser, Washington.

Margarita began her career with the organization in 2015 as a case manager at the Mountain View Women's Clinic. Since then, she has served in several positions both inside and outside of the organization, but most recently served as program coordinator for the Health Education Department at Miramar Health Center, Kennewick. Bonilla hopes her understanding of the many programs offered by Yakima Valley Farmworkers Clinic will help her be more effective as the clinic manager.

"I have been with the organization for a while, so I think having that institutional knowledge will definitely help me in this role," said Bonilla.

Another aspect Bonilla believes will help her in the position is her ties to the Yakima Valley.

"I grew up in Sunnyside," said Bonilla. "My parents brought our family to Farm Workers, so I am very tied to the clinic. I know that some of population we serve can hesitate to utilize our services, so I want to make it feel like a safe space for the community."

Bonilla originally attended college with her sights set on becoming a doctor but pivoted to a degree in public health.

"I really like the community aspect to public health because it's so broad and you can use it for so many things," Bonilla said of her education. "I knew I still wanted to stay within the realm of health care, and that path led me here."

As Clinic Manager of Valley Vista Medical Group, Bonilla is now focused on ensuring patients have a quality experience with every visit.

"We have very passionate individuals here at the clinic who just want to serve our patients," said Bonilla. "I am excited to take on this new role and continue to improve our health outcomes in the valley."

Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic is one of the Pacific Northwest's largest community health centers, providing medical, dental, behavioral health and social services to more than 171,000 people a year. With more than 60 unique service locations across Oregon (Clatsop, Marion, Multnomah, Umatilla, and Yamhill counties) and Washington (Benton, Franklin, Spokane, Whitman, Walla Walla, and Yakima counties), we deliver affordable, comprehensive primary care for underserved populations in our communities. We also extend our network of care through our mobile health units and virtual visit technology, bringing essential care to our more remote patients. Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic employs over 1,600 staff in addition to our medical and dental residents, administrative fellows, students, and volunteers. All of whom are dedicated to bringing quality care to those in our communities who need it most. Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization recognized by HRSA, The Joint Commission, and The National Committee for Quality Assurance for our accomplishments in community health care. For more information, please visit yyfvc.com/press.