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Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic Welcomes New VP for Western Oregon

Yutonah Bowes appointed Vice President of Operations for Western Oregon

WOODBURN - Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic welcomes Yutonah Bowes as Vice President of Operations for Western Oregon. She came to Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic from Northwest Human Services in Salem, Oregon, where she worked since 2010, most recently as Clinics Operations Officer.

Throughout her career, Yutonah has routinely worked with organizations specializing in underserved populations.

"I discovered that serving the underserved was really where my passion for health care was lit," said Yutonah, who went on to share her admiration for the people she works with. "I am just so impressed by the people who work at community health centers, they really have a heart for serving people."

Leaving an organization you've spent 13-years with is not an easy decision. She looked at the opportunity to work for Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic as a chance to further her career while continuing to serve a population she cared about.

"It is still community health, it's just at a much larger scale," said Yutonah, "And serving thousands of people every year across the Pacific Northwest is really an opportunity that I absolutely wanted to take advantage of."

Her goal is to ensure a quality patient experience by finding ways to remove barriers that make it difficult for people to access health care.

"If we can streamline how we provide care and improve the experience, patients will access our care more often," said Yutonah. "The more access and services we can offer our communities, the better their outcomes will be."

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 197,000 people a year. With more than 50 unique service locations across Oregon (Clatsop, Marion, Multnomah, Umatilla, and Yamhill counties) and Washington (Benton, Franklin, Spokane, 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 1,700 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 yvfwc.com/press. Newsletter sign up at yvfwc.com/newsletter.