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Coastal Family Health Center Welcomes New Clinic Manager

ASTORIA - Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic is pleased to announce the appointment of Liz Somers as the new Clinic Manager at Coastal Family Health Center.

Somers brings a wealth of experience to her new role. After completing her nursing degree, she joined the Navy as an officer in the Nurse Corps. After 6 years active duty conducting hospital and clinic management, including an overseas tour in Japan, Somers switched to the Navy Reserves while earning her MBA from Vanderbilt University, Owen Graduate School of Management.

Somers was drawn to community health care because of her experiences growing up and working with Indian Health Services in New Mexico. "It opened my eyes to the vulnerability of those without proper access to care," Somers said.

As a member of the Oneida Nation in Wisconsin, Somers knows that delivering great care is key to a community's success. "When you're looking to deliver long-term success to your community, you have to bring quality care, compassionate solutions, and pride in the good work you do for those around you," Somers stated.

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 yvwfc.com/press.