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CCHN Announces New Officers and Members of Board of Directors

DENVER— John Santistevan, director of finance and accounting for Salud Family Health Centers, is now president of the Board of Directors of the Colorado Community Health Network (CCHN).

The officers of CCHN's board are elected for two-year terms, which begin on April 1 each term. All of Colorado's 15 federally qualified Community Health Centers are represented on the board. Also serving on the board are representatives of key professionals leading the CHCs, including medical, dental, operations, and fiscal directors. The Board of Directors directs the work of CCHN.

Mr. Santistevan has overseen Salud's financial management system since 1996. Prior to joining Salud, he worked for eight years as a certified public accountant for two Denver accounting firms and has more than 20 years experience in finance and accounting. Mr. Santistevan maintains the fiscal viability of Salud through the oversight of contracts and a variety of payor sources to ensure that the CHC is financially able to continue to serve its mission. Salud was founded in 1970 in response to critical health needs of the migrant farm worker population in the Fort Lupton area. Forty years later, Salud has evolved into an extensive primary health care system with nine community, migrant, teen, children and women's health clinics in northeastern and north-central Colorado, as well as a mobile unit that provides health outreach services throughout Salud's service area.

Joining Mr. Santistevan in new roles on CCHN's board are:

- President-elect: David Adamson, executive director, Mountain Family Health Center
- Secretary: Jay Brooke, executive director, High Plains Community Health Center
- Treasurer: Pam McManus, senior vice president, Peak Vista Community Health Centers
- Parliamentarian: Pete Gutierrez, service line administrator, Denver Health's Community Health Services
- Chair of Colorado Clinicians Advisory Network (CHC medical directors): Patrick Tellez, MD, Metro Community Provider Network (MCPN)
- Chair of Colorado Dental Health Network (CHC dental directors): Randal Kumm, DDS, MCPN
- Chair of Colorado Operation Directors Advisory Network: David Pump, Peak Vista Community Health Centers
- Chair of Fiscal Directors: Peggy Micklich, Valley-Wide Health Systems, Inc.

Pete Leibig, president and chief executive officer of Clinica Family Health Services, Inc., served as president of CCHN's board from April 1, 2008, to March 30, 2010. He continues to serve on the board as immediate past president.

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To interview any of the new board members, please contact Maureen Maxwell at (303) 861-5165, Ext. 259, cell (303)913-9078, or maureen@cchn.org.

The Colorado Community Health Network (CCHN) is the collective voice for Colorado's 15 Community Health Centers (CHCs) and their patients. CHCs provide a health care home to more than 500,000 of their community members - one in 10 people in Colorado - from 55 of the state's 64 counties. Without CHCs, hundreds of thousands of Colorado's low-income families and individuals would have no regular source of health care. CCHN's mission is to increase access to high quality health care for people in need in Colorado. For more information about CCHN, please visit www.cchn.org.