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Health Center Partners of Southern California Appoints Frank Whelan as Senior Vice President for Finance

Seasoned Executive Fortifies Leadership Team of Regional Healthcare Advocacy Consortium

SAN DIEGO—(Nov. 14, 2016)—<u>Health Center Partners of Southern California</u>, a leading consortium of community health centers in San Diego, Riverside and Imperial Counties, today announced the appointment of seasoned executive Frank Whelan as senior vice president for finance. Whelan brings to this new role 15 years' experience in accounting, audit and finance positions across a diverse range of companies, as well as expertise in financial policy and administration, corporate strategy, business planning, and budgeting management.

"As we continue to grow and expand our services to member health centers and their 800,000 patients, it's critical that we increase our capacity to meet the complex financial requirements of health center operations, particularly health plan contracting," says Henry Tuttle, CEO of Health Center Partners. "Frank's extensive and impressive background ensures he will bring valuable experience and knowledge to our ongoing efforts to support and advocate on behalf of our 17 member organizations."

As senior vice president for finance, Whelan leads, manages, and directs all financial activities for Health Center Partners and its subsidiaries, which include Health Quality Partners, Integrated Health Partners and CNECT (formerly Council Connections). Additionally, he oversees the development of the strategic financial plan, guides organizational financial reporting, directs the audit and budget processes, and is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective external fiduciary relationships.



Prior to joining Health Center Partners, Whelan served for five years as the treasurer and chief financial officer of Three Rivers Provider Network, where he was a member of the executive team and responsible for oversight of all finance and accounting functions for the nationwide network of more than 600,000 providers and 10 million members. A certified public accountant, Whelan has also held positions with Torrey Pines Institute for Molecular Studies, Sonnenberg and Co. CPAs and MG Properties. He holds an MBA from the University of California, Irvine and a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from UC San Diego.

"I'm very excited to be joining Health Center Partners at this pivotal juncture in the transition to valuebased care," state Whelan. "Our role in supporting and advancing community health centers requires strong financial leadership practices, and I look forward to contributing my expertise to help ensure access to quality care for the most vulnerable in our communities."

About Health Center Partners

Health Center Partners and its subsidiaries serve as the nexus for its members and partners to transform primary care through the power of innovation and collaboration. Our health policy, public affairs and advocacy efforts enhance the development of and recognition for our members who enrich the patient experience and improve the human condition through access to quality health care and related services for their diverse communities, with an emphasis on low-income and uninsured populations. For more information, visit www.hcpsocal.org.

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