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## Santos Vera named the new executive director of the Imperial Beach Community Clinic



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Health Center Partners (HCP) of Southern California announced the appointment of Santos Vera as the new chief executive officer of Imperial Beach Community Clinic (IBCC), a member organization of HCP that serves communities in San Diego's South Bay region. Santos succeeds Connie Kirk, who retired after more than three decades in leadership at IBCC.

Santos brings extensive experience in leading large community health centers and academic systems to his role at IBCC. He will oversee the strategic direction and ensure a "patient first" philosophy of health care is delivered to every patient IBCC serves.

Santos brings over 25 years of mission-driven experience to the IBCC team, with notable expertise in managing the operations of safety-net health centers and improving the public health system. Prior to joining IBCC, he served as the executive vice president for Avenue 360 Health and Wellness in Houston, Texas, where he led the planning and execution of services in urban and rural communities across the third largest county in the U.S.

Previously, in California, Santos served as the executive director for Solana County Medical Services, a large academic safety-net Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), overseeing the day-to-day operations of the health system.

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