

# PEACEHEALTH NAMES SUSAN BRUECHNER AS SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT AND CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER (PHOTO)

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Executive Promotion Underscores PeaceHealth's Commitment to Talent Development

VANCOUVER, Wash. -- PeaceHealth, a not-for-profit health system with 16,000 caregivers serving communities in Washington, Oregon and Alaska, today announced that Susan Bruechner has been promoted to senior vice president and chief human resources officer. Bruechner previously served as system vice president, human resources operations at PeaceHealth. In her new role, Bruechner will oversee PeaceHealth's people strategies, ensuring an inclusive and welcoming culture reflective of the PeaceHealth Mission and Values.

In her three years as system vice president, human resources operations, Bruechner led all HR operations and strategies -- successfully driving transformational change within human resources and across the broader organization. She brings more than 20 years of HR experience. Before joining PeaceHealth in 2013, Bruechner spent nearly eight years in management roles of increasing responsibility at investment firm Goldman Sachs, where she eventually led the HR operations function for the firm's multi-national commercial real estate division. In her new role, Bruechner will report directly to Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer Carol Aaron.

"Susan is a shining example of living PeaceHealth's Values in her strong commitment to organizational excellence and caregiver advocacy," said Aaron. "I have no doubt that her commitment to our people, culture and Values will result in further strengthening our exemplary caregivers for many years ahead."

"I continue to be inspired by our people and how the Mission is lived out every day at PeaceHealth," said Bruechner. "I joined PeaceHealth because of our Mission, and my personal alignment with our Values, as well as our deeply-held commitment to the most vulnerable members of our community. Our caregivers and providers deliver compassionate, high quality care, making a positive, lasting impact in our communities. I look forward to ensuring all PeaceHealth caregivers have the support and resources they need to live full lives while together we serve our patients, families and communities."

As an active member of her community, Bruechner volunteers at and supports numerous local and national organizations including the Oregon Humane Society, Clark County and Oregon Food Banks, DoveLewis, the Madeleine Parish and School, Human Rights Campaign and the ASPCA. She lives with her family in the greater Vancouver area and will continue to be based out of PeaceHealth's System Services Center in Vancouver,

Wash.

(About PeaceHealth)

PeaceHealth, based in Vancouver, Wash., is a not-for-profit Catholic health system offering care to communities in Washington, Oregon, and Alaska. PeaceHealth has approximately 16,000 caregivers, a group practice with about 900 providers, a laboratory system, and 10 medical centers. PeaceHealth was founded in 1890 by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace to fill a need for healthcare services in the Pacific Northwest. The Sisters shared financial and personnel resources to open new hospitals. They shared expertise and transferred wisdom from one medical center to another, always finding the best way to serve the unmet need for health care in their communities. Today, PeaceHealth is the legacy of the founding Sisters and continues with a spirit of collaboration and stewardship in fulfilling its Mission. This is The Spirit of Health.

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