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VA Northwest Health Network announces new Portland VA Medical Center Director

Joanne Krumberger brings leadership, proven experience to VA NW Health Network

VANCOUVER, Wash. — The Department of Veterans Affairs is pleased to announce the appointment of Joanne Krumberger as the new Director of the Portland VA Medical Center (PVAMC), effective May 18, 2014. Krumberger will oversee delivery of health care to more than 85,000 Veterans and an operating budget of \$656 million.

“We are excited to bring Ms. Krumberger on board as the new Director of Portland VAMC,” said Larry Carroll, Network Director, Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN) 20. “Her strong leadership qualities and proven experience will be valuable assets for the VISN, the employees and volunteers, and most importantly, for the Veterans we are honored to serve.”

Krumberger is currently the Director of the VA Central California Health Care System (HCS), a position she has held since September 2012. In this role, she is responsible for the executive leadership of a Level 2 facility which includes a 57-bed acute care, general medical and surgical center with state-of-the-art primary, secondary and tertiary care in major diagnostic and treatment specializations, including a 12 inpatient mental health unit. A 54-bed Community Living Center also provides skilled nursing and rehabilitation care. Her 35-year tenure with the Department of Veterans Affairs includes a variety of administrative leadership positions, to include Deputy Director at the VA Palo Alto HCS, and Acting Director, VA Delaware and Southern New Jersey HCS. She also recently completed an extended detail as the Acting Network Director in VISN 2 (New York).

PVAMC consists of a tertiary care medical center located near downtown Portland, Ore., and the PVAMC Vancouver Campus located near downtown Vancouver, Wash. PVAMC also operates eight Community Based Outpatient/Outreach Clinics (CBOCs) located in Warrenton (North Coast), Bend, Salem, East Portland, Newport, West Linn, Hillsboro, The Dalles, and the Community Resource and Referral Center in downtown Portland. Together, with the parent facility, these clinics serve the Portland/Vancouver metropolitan area, NW Oregon, the central Willamette Valley, Central Oregon, and SW Washington State. The Portland campus sits adjacent to its affiliate, the Oregon Health & Sciences University (OHSU), and is part of VISN 20, which includes facilities in Alaska, Washington, Idaho and Oregon. The Portland campus is a tertiary care, teaching, and research facility classified by VHA as a 1a complexity level facility, which, along with the Puget Sound Healthcare system in Seattle, Wash., acts one of two referral facilities for the entire Northwest Network VISN 20.

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