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Mivic Hirose Named Executive Administrator at Laguna Honda

San Francisco, CA – Public Health Director Mitch Katz, MD today announced the appointment of Mivic Hirose, Chief Nursing Officer at Laguna Honda Hospital and Rehabilitation Center, to be the hospital’s new Executive Administrator. Ms. Hirose, 45, has served as interim administrator since the sudden death last month of John T. Kanaley.

Hirose becomes the first Filipino-American hospital director in San Francisco. She takes over the top job at Laguna Honda one year before the hospital is scheduled to open its new 780-person facility, which will make it the most modern skilled nursing and rehabilitation center in the country.

“This is an exciting and challenging time in health care,” said Hirose. “The new Laguna Honda will play an important role in bringing progressive changes to long term care. Our new facility puts San Francisco on a path to become a national center of excellence in skilled nursing and rehabilitation. I’m optimistic about what we can achieve.”

Hirose has been an associate administrator at Laguna Honda since 1999, and has served as Chief Nursing Officer since 2005. She has been a public health nurse her entire career, serving in the medical-surgical, trauma, dialysis, and intensive care units at UC Davis, UCSF and San Francisco General Hospital.

1985	UC Davis Medical Center	Medical-Surgical Staff Nurse
1985-1986	San Francisco General	Medical Staff Nurse
1986-1990	San Francisco General	Surgical/Trauma Intensive Care Unit
1989-1992	UCSF Renal Center	Acute and Chronic Dialysis Nurse
1990-1992	San Francisco General	Medical-Surgical Nurse Educator
1991-1992	San Francisco General	Discharge Planning Coordinator
1992-1998	San Francisco General	Surgical/Trauma Clinical Nurse Specialist
1999	San Francisco General	Medical-Surgical Nursing Director
1999-2004	Laguna Honda Hospital	Associate Hospital Administrator and Associate Director of Nursing
2005-2009	Laguna Honda Hospital	Associate Hospital Administrator and Chief Nursing Officer

“I have worked with Mivic Hirose for many years and know her to be a skilled administrator, well qualified to assume the leadership role at Laguna Honda Hospital as it transitions into its new facility next year,” said Mitch Katz, MD, Director of Health. “Ms. Hirose has a proven commitment to achieving the highest levels in quality of care, quality of life and independence for each resident, whether at Laguna Honda Hospital or in the community.”

Laguna Honda is an acute care skilled nursing facility and rehabilitation center. It is among the largest such facilities nationwide, representing one of the most extensive commitments to long term care for a safety net population of any city or county in the country. It provides dementia and Alzheimer's services, care for people with degenerative diseases such as multiple sclerosis and Parkinson's, rehabilitation for the effects of stroke or traumatic brain injury, and the Bay Area's only HIV/AIDS skilled nursing services.

Laguna Honda Statistical Overview

- Total people served per year: 1800
- Average Daily Census: 800
- Average rehabilitated residents discharged per year: 240
- Average length of stay for residents who leave within one year: 4.5 months
- Average length of stay for residents who stay over one year: 5 years
- Average age of residents: 72
- Gender balance: 50% men, 50% women
- Fiscal year 08-09 operating budget: \$170 million
- Percent operating budget reimbursed by Medi-Cal or Medicare: 70%
- Percent operating budget supplied by San Francisco general fund: 30%
- Number of employees: 1500

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