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**Renee M. Poole, MD Appointed Associate Medical Director at Valley Community Healthcare**  
*Manages Expansion of Services at New Health Center in North Hills*

North Hollywood, CA--- Renee M. Poole, MD, MMM, FAAFP joined the staff of Valley Community Healthcare in June 2016, in the newly created position of Associate Medical Director. She will work closely with Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Roger Peeks, in managing the organization's expanded clinical services and oversight of the North Hills Wellness Center, located at 9119 Haskell Avenue, which opened in June, 2015. As a Board Certified Family Physician, she brings 8 years of experience facilitating positive changes for all age groups in the disadvantaged and underserved community. Her core clinical expertise is in preventive medicine and effective management of chronic illnesses and conditions such as diabetes and hypertension. "I enjoy being able to create continuity of care with every family member," she says, "and empowering individuals to modify their behaviors and improve their overall health."

Dr. Poole graduated from the St. Louis University School of Medicine in 2005, and became a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians in 2014. That same year, she graduated from the Marshall School of Business, University of Southern California with a Master's degree in Medical Management (MMM). Her medical management expertise will enable Valley Community Healthcare to standardize and maintain quality care practices across an array of expanded services that include integrated behavioral health services, comprehensive women's health and prenatal programs, and a specialized adolescent clinic. "I am pleased and excited to have Dr. Poole join our team," stated Dr. Peeks, Chief Medical Officer. "She brings a wealth of experience and expertise in medical administration and quality improvement that will positively influence care management procedures at Valley Community Healthcare. Dr. Poole's primary focus will be administration of the North Hills Wellness Center, where her expertise as a family medicine physician will improve and standardize general clinical services at that site."

Since the 2014 passage of the Affordable Care Act, Valley Community Healthcare's patient base has increased to 30,000 people of all ages annually through their neighborhood network of centers; 6 new providers have been hired, and new support staff positions created, increasing the number of employees to 230. Valley Community Healthcare is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization, providing a wide array of clinical and patient-centered programs through a neighborhood network of health centers in the San Fernando Valley. Our mission is to provide culturally sensitive, high quality primary care and integrated health services to those in need, regardless of their ability to pay.