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**VALLEY COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE SEATS FINAL THREE 2016-18 BOARD MEMBERS**  
***Alexandra Chernyak, CPA, Byrdie Lifson Pompan, and Rebecca Thompson, JD, Appointed***



As a partner with Miller Kaplan Arase LLP in Los Angeles, **Alexandra (Alex) Chernyak, CPA**, has more than 16 years of public accounting experience, specializing in labor organizations and employee benefit plans. Following a suggestion from a colleague that she consider getting involved with Valley Community Healthcare, she toured the North Hollywood Center to learn more. “When I discovered that the optometry department offered contact lenses for children, I was impressed. My daughter refused to wear sports vision glasses, and contact lenses were the solution,” she said. “I am delighted to be able to give back to the community by serving on the health care center’s board.” Alex Chernyak lives in Northridge with her husband, Boris, daughters Michelle and Geena, and two German Shepherds rescued from a local shelter group.



**Byrdie Lifson Pompan** has long supported health and at-risk youth programs, and when she learned about Valley Community Healthcare’s unique Teen Clinic program, she took the opportunity to visit the newest site at the North Hills Wellness Center. Impressed by the comprehensive adolescent care program, Lifson Pompan joined Valley Community Healthcare’s board, hoping to apply the effective client representation and negotiating skills gained as a successful agent and partner with Creative Artists Agency (CAA) in order to increase awareness and support of VCH within her personal network. Her motivation comes from her mother, who said “Your life is broken into three parts: to learn, to earn, and to serve.” As Co-Founder & CEO of Clear Health Advisors she works with a medical team to assist clients with complex medical issues “lost in the maze” of the health care system. A native of Los Angeles, Byrdie has two sons, Noah **and** Simon, and lives with her husband, Bruce Pompan, in Studio City.



**Rebecca A. Thompson, JD**, is Partner and Chair of the Real Estate and Environmental Law Department of Gaines & Stacey LLP, a San Fernando Valley based law firm. She is an environmental law and real estate specialist, with extensive experience in Federal and State compliance issues. “I first became involved with Valley Community Healthcare over ten years ago when I assisted the organization in acquiring its current headquarters building,” she stated. “Because of the great people I met while working on the acquisition of the North Hollywood building, I joined the board in 2003 for a two year term. Since then, I have been a supporter of VCH and, with the increased focus on community-based healthcare, I found myself exploring the opportunity to step up my involvement with the organization.” Thompson

North Hollywood Center, 6801 Coldwater Canyon Avenue

North Hills Wellness Center, 9119 Haskell Avenue

plans to contribute to the organization's advancement by working with the amazing Judi Rose as she expands VCH's fundraising outreach, as well as participate in the strategic planning for VCH's future growth and contribution to the San Fernando Valley community. Rebecca Thompson lives in Tarzana.