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***Futuro Health Applauds Dr. Sonya Christian's Appointment
as California Community Colleges Chancellor***

(SACRAMENTO, Calif.) – Last week, the California Community Colleges Board of Governors named [Dr. Sonya Christian as the next Chancellor](#) of the country's largest and most diverse higher education system, with over 1.8 million students. [Futuro Health](#) adds our congratulations to the appointment of Dr. Christian, who in her current role as Kern Community College District Chancellor introduced several innovations into its healthcare workforce programs in partnership with Futuro Health.

Futuro Health and her district, along with several 4-year public institutions, are partnering in a federal grant to produce a much-needed [public health IT workforce for the state](#). Additionally, Dr. Christian sponsored collaboration between Cerro Coso Community College and Futuro Health for innovative medical assistant program development that successfully drew enrollment from rural and underserved communities. The model is now being extended in a pilot to include vocational nursing. Underpinning these private/public collaborations is the transformative use of data between stakeholders for enrolling as well as supporting student progression and persistence.

"With the multi-year decline across the nation's higher education enrollment, as reported by the [National Student Clearinghouse](#), Dr. Christian acted with urgency to address the trend," states Van Ton-Quinlivan, CEO of Futuro Health. "Through collaboration, we can bring adults from diverse communities back into higher education in ways that matter for workers and regional economies."

Ton-Quinlivan formerly served as Executive Vice Chancellor of the California Community Colleges.



*Futuro Health CEO Van Ton-Quinlivan with
newly named California Community Colleges
Chancellor Dr. Sonya Christian*

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