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Futuro Health CEO Named Chair of California Healthcare Workforce Education and Training Council

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The California Healthcare Workforce Education and Training Council has named Van Ton-Quinlivan, Futuro Health CEO, as its new Chair. Ton-Quinlivan is an appointee of Governor Gavin Newsom to the Council, which was established in legislation (Assembly Bill 133) to develop a health workforce that meets California’s health care needs.

The Council is administered by the California Department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI) with membership consisting of 18 appointees who represent various graduate medical education and training programs, health professions including but not limited to specialties for primary care and behavioral health, and consumer representatives.

Ton-Quinlivan began serving as Vice Chair of the Council in 2021. She is a distinguished workforce development trailblazer who has created inclusive social and economic mobility through higher education. She was named California Steward Leader by the California Economic Summit and White House Champion of Change by the Obama Administration for her contributions to the public, private, and nonprofit sectors.

"In her tenure as Vice Chair with the Council, Van provided consistent leadership and respected expertise to inform strategies for promoting health workforce opportunities for a wide range of communities. Her comprehensive understanding of workforce development as applied to healthcare shortages embodies the essence of the Council's leadership," said Elizabeth Landsberg, HCAI Director.

Prior to becoming CEO of Futuro Health, Ton-Quinlivan served as executive vice chancellor of the California Community Colleges and is credited with increasing public investment growth towards career education. Featured as a workforce expert by the New York Times, Insider Higher Education, Chronicle of Higher Education, Stanford Social Innovation Review, and more, Ton-Quinlivan is a regular speaker at forums across the country, including recent forums addressing global healthcare and government leaders hosted by the World Health Organization and the National Governors Association.

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“I’m honored to step into this role and support the Council’s work to look at the intersection between health equity, current workforce shortages and future of care, bringing forth advice its members that enable state agencies to have a role in catalyzing solutions,” said Ton-Quinlivan. Ton-Quinlivan’s term as Chair begins with the Council’s September two-day meeting, which includes key topics addressing California’s oral health and nursing workforce. A new Vice Chair will be named by HCAI to fill the vacancy.

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About Futuro Health

Futuro Health is a non-profit organization focused on improving the health and wealth of communities by growing the largest network of allied healthcare workers in the nation. Futuro Health makes education journeys into allied health careers possible by growing the talent that employers need and creating a path to the opportunity that workers want.