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**Peak Vista Appoints New Chief Legal Officer**

**Colorado Springs, Colo.** – Peak Vista Community Health Centers (Peak Vista) welcomes Michael D. Johnson, Esq. as chief legal officer and member of Peak Vista’s executive committee. Johnson provides strategic corporate legal guidance and analysis related to all aspects of Peak Vista’s daily operations in addition to overseeing Peak Vista’s compliance and human resources departments.

“With Michael’s legal expertise and experience working with nonprofits, he will bring a strong strategic presence to our executive team,” shared Pam McManus, Peak Vista president and CEO. “Together we can continue our growth as a community partner as well as a provider and advocate for people facing access barriers to quality healthcare.”

Johnson holds a bachelor’s in business administration from University of Colorado at Boulder and a juris doctor from Thomas Jefferson School of Law in San Diego, Calif. Johnson spent several years practicing as a medical staff litigation attorney in San Diego, prior to moving back to Colorado in 2008. He most recently practiced as an employment defense attorney with Mountain States Employers Council.

Johnson is currently a board member for Leadership Pikes Peak and serves as the past-president. Johnson also served as a board member for Urban Peak Colorado Springs. Additionally, he is a member of the Colorado Bar Association and the El Paso County Bar Association.

A native of Colorado Springs, Colo., Johnson spends his free time with wife, Whitney, and children, Ethan and Austin. He appreciates history, enjoys reading and follows local and national politics.

**About Peak Vista Community Health Centers**

Peak Vista Community Health Centers is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide exceptional healthcare to people facing access barriers. Established in 1971, Peak Vista now offers primary medical, dental and behavioral health services to more than 82,550 patients annually in the Pikes Peak and the East Central Plains regions. To learn more about Peak Vista, visit [peakvista.org](http://peakvista.org).

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