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Peak Vista Community Health Centers Announces Dr. Emily Ptaszek as President and CEO

Colorado Springs, Colo. – Peak Vista Community Health Centers (Peak Vista) announces the appointment of Emily Ptaszek, PsyD, as president and chief executive officer of Peak Vista, effective March 28, 2022.

In her role, Ptaszek will oversee Peak Vista's 28 locations across Colorado's Pikes Peak and Eastern Plains regions, which have served Colorado for over 50 years. Ptaszek assumes leadership from Lisa Ramey, DO, who has been serving as Interim President and CEO, as well as Chief Medical and Dental Officer, since March of 2021.

"Dr. Ptaszek has spent the last decade of her life removing access barriers to healthcare for those in southwestern Florida. Her passion for providing whole-person, accessible care is undeniable," says Interim President and CEO and Chief Medical and Dental Officer of Peak Vista, Dr. Lisa Ramey. "We are excited to have her as a part of our team."

Ptaszek joins Peak Vista from the Healthcare Network, a federally qualified community health center in Naples, Florida, serving over 50,000 patients annually. In her tenure at the Healthcare Network, Ptaszek served as a clinical psychologist, chief of behavioral health services, chief operating officer, and most recently, president and CEO. In addition to her duties at the Healthcare Network, Ptaszek practiced as an adjunct professor at the Florida Atlantic University's College of Business. Ptaszek brings more than 10 years of clinical experience to her executive leadership role, having practiced in multiple clinical environments, including the U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs, where she specialized in trauma and post-traumatic stress disorder.

"Dr. Ptaszek is passionate about building cohesive and purpose-driven teams that can create lasting change, drive process improvement, and ultimately build a healthy, trustworthy organization," comments Dr. Robin Johnson, chair of Peak Vista's Board of Directors. "She believes leadership is about service and fostering genuine relationships to achieve the greatest possible collective impact—something that is especially important as we aid our patients, communities and partners during and in recovery from the coronavirus pandemic."

Ptaszek earned her Doctor of Psychology from Loyola University Maryland in Baltimore, Maryland and received her Master of Business Administration with a focus in healthcare from Florida Atlantic University - College of Business. Ptaszek is a board-certified clinical psychologist and is a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives (FACHE). She has served on several boards, including the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, Senior Friendship Centers and Best Care Assurance.

About Peak Vista Community Health Centers

Peak Vista Community Health Centers is a nonprofit organization providing exceptional health care to people facing access barriers through clinical programs and education. Celebrating over 50 years of community health service, Peak Vista offers primary medical, integrated behavioral health and dental care services. We proudly serve over 93,000 patients annually through outpatient centers in Colorado's Pikes Peak and East Central regions. To learn more about Peak Vista, visit www.peakvista.org.