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Jacqueline Nwando Olayiwola, MD, MPH, FAAFP, has recently been selected as the chief medical officer of Community Health Center Inc. (CHC). In this role, she will serve as a senior-level administrator and preside over a medical staff of >50 providers, directing the clinical, research and quality improvement initiatives of the organization. As chief medical officer, Olayiwola will also have an opportunity to combine many skills and interests, including leadership, research and translation of research, information technology, organizational efficiency, public health, scholarly and nonscholarly writing, clinical medicine, public speaking and presentation delivery.

CHC is Connecticut's largest network of health centers, serving 70,000 patients from >160 communities in the state in 142 locations. CHC is a major contributor to the safety net of underserved patient populations, providing a wide array of services, including medical, HIV/AIDS, mental health, dental, ob/gyn and social services to Connecticut's most disenfranchised patients. The organization is a leading provider of high-quality healthcare services to uninsured, underinsured and publicly insured patients. CHC is also at the forefront of innovation in primary care, using healthcare technology, electronic medical records, chronic care concepts, planned care and quality improvement to drive the agency's clinical excellence. In 2007, CHC became the nation's first health center network to fully adopt and implement an electronic health record at all sites and was the first health center to incorporate 340B pharmacies into its clinical sites in 2006. In addition, CHC instituted the nation's first Residency Program for Advanced Practice Nurses in 2007 and will graduate the first class in 2008.

Olayiwola was selected after a nationwide search process and is well suited to lead this dynamic organization. Prior to being selected for the chief medical officer role,



she was the medical director of CHC of Meriden, CT, one of CHC's largest sites. In her role as medical director, she directly oversaw physicians and advanced practice nurse practitioners, coordinated clinical care and quality improvement initiatives and incorporated public health initiatives into daily practice. She was also the vice president of the medical staff of the entire agency, working closely with the chief medical officer to ensure quality medical care, provider well-being and satisfaction, and appropriate provider-staff relations. She is also a member of the Quality Improvement, Food Smart and Fit Obesity Prevention Program, Planned Care and Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committees at CHC. She previously served a 2-year term as a governing council member of the American Public Health Association's HIV/AIDS section. In addition, she is a clinical assistant professor of medicine at the University of Connecticut, teaching medical students through clerkships and practicum experiences. Her interests and experiences include health policy, clinical care, quality improvement, public health, health disparities, minority and women's health, community-oriented primary care, and HIV/AIDS prevention in domestic and global initiatives.

Olayiwola was a Commonwealth Fund/Harvard University fellow in minority health policy at Harvard Medical School in 2004–2005. During this fellowship and leadership training, she received her masters in public health with a concentration in health policy from the Harvard School of Public Health in 2005. She is the founder and CEO of GIRLTALK Inc., a nonprofit organization in New York, NY, that provides HIV/AIDS education and prevention to minority adolescent girls in high-risk areas in partnership with the Columbia Presbyterian Department of Family & Community Medicine. In June 2005, she was selected to be a member of the Minority Women's Health Panel of Experts of the Office on Women's Health (OWH) of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), a national committee dedicated to ensuring that minority women's health issues are incorporated into OWH initiatives.

In 2007, Olayiwola was named as one of America's Top Family Doctors of 2007 by the Consumers Research

Council of America. In October 2007, she was honored as a fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians. She also received the Excellence in Medicine Leadership Award from the American Medical Association in March 2005. She is a member of the National Medical Association and previously served as a peer reviewer for the *Journal of the National Medical Association* for the year 2005.

Olayiwola obtained her undergraduate degree from the Ohio State University, summa cum laude and with distinction in 1997. She received her medical degree from the Ohio State University/Cleveland Clinic Foundation in 2001. She completed her residency training in family medicine at Columbia University, where she was chief resident in 2004, and her masters in public health from Harvard School of Public Health in 2005. She will assume the chief medical officer position in August 2008.

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The Division of Nephrology at Tufts Medical Center in Boston, MA is looking to recruit an enthusiastic clinical nephrologist with a particular interest in systems-based approaches to quality improvement and medical education. The successful applicant will assume the title of Medical Director of outpatient nephrology practice and be responsible for implementing evidence-based quality initiatives in a vibrant practice, staffed by attendings and fellows. Other responsibilities will include assisting the Clinical Director in quality improvement activities on the inpatient services, assisting the Training Program Director in resident and fellow education, and approximately 5 months per year of inpatient nephrology care while supervising a team of nephrology fellows, medical residents, and students from Tufts University School of Medicine (TUSM).

Interested applicants must be BC/BE in nephrology, and will be appointed at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor of Medicine at TUSM based upon level of experience.

Please send a cover letter and CV to Andrew S. Levey, MD, Chief, Division of Nephrology at [alevey@tuftsmedicalcenter.org](mailto:alevey@tuftsmedicalcenter.org).

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