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San Antonio AIDS Foundation

The Care Clinic

Medical Director Change SAAF

SAN ANTONIO – San Antonio AIDS Foundation Care Clinic Medical Director Waridibo Allison, MD, PhD, will be departing The Care Clinic at the end of this month. The University of North Texas Health Science Center has named Dr. Allison as the new Vice President of Health Policy and founding Director of the new Center for Health Policy within the Division of Research and Innovation. Dr. Allison will also be an Associate Professor in the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine (TCOM) in the Department of Medical Education.

Dr. Allison joined SAAF as an Assistant Professor of Medicine/Infectious Diseases at the UT Health San Antonio in launching The Care Clinic in 2017. Her specialization in infectious diseases helped to create the infrastructure to open and operate The Care Clinic as SAAF transitioned from hospice care to outpatient ambulatory services. Her direction and passion for helping individuals living with HIV helped to serve over 200 clients by providing HIV and Hepatitis C treatment, on-site laboratory services, and medication assistance for those who were eligible. SAAF is filled with gratitude for the years of service provided by Dr. Allison and wishes her well in North Texas.

We are thrilled to continue our collaboration with UT Health San Antonio as we welcome our new medical director, Heta Javeri, MD, MPH, on March 1. Dr. Javeri is an Associate Professor/Clinical in the Division of Infectious Diseases at UT Health San Antonio. She is also the Fellowship Program Director of Infectious Diseases in the Department of Medicine. She received her MBBS from Mahatma Gandhi Mission Medical College, India in 2005. She completed her Residency in Internal Medicine and Fellowship in Infectious Diseases at the UT Health San Antonio. Dr. Javeri holds an MPH in Epidemiology from UT Health Science Center Houston. Her areas of interest include HIV care, OPAT (out-patient parenteral antimicrobial therapy), STI management and mycobacterial diseases.

Dr. Javeri said “I’m excited to embark on this journey and look forward to working with SAAF.”

SAAF is excited to welcome Dr. Javeri to The Care Clinic as we continue to expand our HIV and sexual health services.

ABOUT THE SAN ANTONIO AIDS FOUNDATION

The San Antonio AIDS Foundation (SAAF) is the first community-based organization created in response to the epidemic of HIV/AIDS in San Antonio. SAAF envisions a community where people living with HIV will thrive free of stigma and discrimination and positive sexual health is a reality for all. Our Mission is to eliminate new HIV infections, improve the health and well-being of people living with HIV, AIDS and sexually transmitted infections through education, prevention, and equitable access to sexual healthcare. SAAF was founded in 1986 as a volunteer-run hospice by Robert Edwards, known as Papa Bear. In 1991, SAAF moved to its present facility on 818 E. Grayson Street, a former nursing home. SAAF provided residential nursing/hospice services for almost 30 years to thousands of individuals with HIV/AIDS.

To learn more about the San Antonio AIDS Foundation, visit www.SanAntonioAIDS.org or call Khalen Garcia, Director of Communications and Development, at 225-4715, ext. 186.