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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Aviva Health CFO One of 12 People Across the U.S. to Receive Prestigious National Association of Community Health Center Award**

**ROSEBURG, Ore.** – The Geiger Gibson Program in Community Health, in collaboration with the National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC), recognized Aviva Health CFO Leah Woods as one of 12 Emerging Leader Award recipients yesterday.

According to the Geiger Gibson Program website, the Emerging Leader Award was established in 2007 to showcase the accomplishments of a new generation of health center leaders. Candidates for the awards are nominated by the leaders of their health center, primary care association or network, and awardees are selected by a committee drawn from senior health center movement leadership.

“We couldn't be prouder of Leah for being recognized as a Geiger Gibson Emerging Leader,” says KC Bolton, CEO of Aviva Health. “This award is a significant accomplishment, and it speaks volumes about Leah’s leadership, dedication and the impact she’s making— not just here at Aviva Health, but in the broader community health movement. Leah is the kind of leader who rolls up her sleeves, digs in and gets things done, always with a focus on what’s best for our patients and our team. She’s the real deal, and this recognition is so well deserved.”

Woods began her career at Aviva Health in 2017 as the organization’s controller. She was promoted to CFO at the young age of 30 after the retirement of her boss. During her time with Aviva Health, Leah has become an expert in Medicaid reimbursement, optimizing Aviva Health’s Prospective Payment System (PPS) rate, adding over \$5 million to the organization’s financial base annually.

Woods was also responsible for leading an initiative to protect all of Oregon’s FQHC/CHC’s Medicaid funding and reimbursement under Oregon’s new Sustainable Health Care Cost Growth Target Program. She is also the executive for HR operations, where she has spearheaded initiatives to boost employee satisfaction and engagement.

For more information on Aviva Health, please visit [www.aviva.health](http://www.aviva.health).

## **ABOUT AVIVA HEALTH**

Founded in 1991, Aviva Health is an independent, board-governed, not-for-profit organization that cares for the people of Douglas County by providing high-quality, patient-centered, accessible and affordable medical, dental and behavioral health care, regardless of their ability to pay.

Aviva Health offers integrated services from nine clinic sites in Roseburg, Myrtle Creek, Sutherlin, Glide and North Douglas County (Drain), including a Teen Health Center located on the campus of Roseburg High School. In partnership with CHI Mercy Medical Center, Aviva Health also serves as the family medicine practice site for the Roseburg Family Medicine Residency Program.

Aviva Health's commitment to the community and its mission to provide quality, compassionate care has earned it a variety of local, statewide, regional, and national awards, including numerous The News-Review Readers' Choice Awards, the Northwest Regional Primary Care Association's Employer of Choice Summit Award, and Community Health Quality Recognition from the Health Resources and Services Administration.