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IHS announces new clinical director at Omaha Winnebago Hospital

Other new hires include medical records and nursing staff.

The Indian Health Service Great Plains Area welcomes eight additional full-time staff members to new roles at Omaha Winnebago Hospital in Winnebago, Nebraska, including the clinical director, medical records administration specialist and medical records technician. This follows announcements made in January and March of this year, when IHS announced other new hires at Omaha Winnebago Hospital.

"These hires demonstrate IHS' continued commitment to providing high quality patient care," said Capt. Chris Buchanan, IHS Great Plains Area acting director. "IHS is recruiting highly skilled individuals that bring experience and knowledge, enabling us to carry out our mission of raising the physical, mental, social, and spiritual health of American Indians and Alaska Natives to the highest level."

Scott D. McLain, M.D., will serve as clinical director for the hospital. As clinical director and supervisory medical officer, Dr. McLain is responsible for overseeing all medical staff at the hospital, including clinical performance and recruitment. The work of the clinical director ensures the provision of comprehensive medical care at the primary level in the hospital setting.

McLain had been serving as a doctor at the IHS Cheyenne River Hospital in Eagle Butte, South Dakota. He is a board certified family physician. McLain earned a bachelor's degree from Point Loma University in San Diego and a doctor of medicine degree from American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine in St. Maarten. He completed residency in family medicine at East Tennessee State University and practiced medicine in Tennessee for seven years.

Jeremy Sullivan joins as medical records administration specialist. Sullivan will supervise medical records and electronic health records staff, overseeing outpatient and inpatient coding and data entry. He joins IHS from the U.S. Navy's Naval Health Clinic Quantico, where he served as clinical information systems instructor.

As a medical records technician, Wynema L. Charley will code medical records to ensure that medical information is completely documented. Charley, an enrolled member of the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska, previously served in the Purchased/Referred Care Department at Omaha Winnebago Hospital.

Additional staff in nursing, pharmacy, patient transportation and computer-based clinical health applications have also joined the Omaha Winnebago Hospital.

The Winnebago Service Unit provides comprehensive health care to American Indians and Alaska Natives in the Sioux City area, including members of the Winnebago and Omaha Tribes. For more

information about IHS's Winnebago Service Unit, visit https://www.ihs.gov/greatplains/healthcarefacilities.

The IHS, an agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, provides a comprehensive health service delivery system for approximately 2.2 million American Indians and Alaska Natives.