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Southcentral Foundation President/CEO Reappointed as Harvard Visiting Scientist

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA – Recognizing her ongoing contributions to the Global Health and Social Medicine Department at Harvard Medical School, Southcentral Foundation President/CEO Dr. Katherine Gottlieb has been reappointed as a visiting scientist. Dr. Gottlieb was first appointed to the faculty of the Harvard Center for Primary Care in 2015.

“This appointment is made to recognize your continuing contributions to the GHSM educational and research mission, and to anticipate with gratitude your ongoing service, engagement, and collaboration in our research and teaching programs,” said Dr. Paul E. Farmer, Department Chair of Global Health and Social Medicine, Harvard Medical School.

The GHSM Department applies social science and humanities research to constantly improve the practice of medicine, the delivery of treatment, and the development of health care policies locally and worldwide. Major efforts include developing the science of global health delivery implementation; advancing equity in health care delivery; and educating students and researchers on biosocial determinants of disease, health care delivery, and responsible practice of medicine.

Under Dr. Gottlieb’s direction and guidance, SCF, a two-time winner of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, has become a global leader among health care organizations, recognized for its Nuka System of Care. Dr. Gottlieb serves as a director on the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Board of Directors and the Alaska Native Medical Center Joint Operating Board, on the leadership team of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement’s 100 Million Healthier Lives Initiative, as the chair of the Recover Alaska Steering Committee, on the advisory council for the Storyknife Writers Retreat, and as an elected tribal council member for Seldovia Village Tribe.

About Southcentral Foundation

Southcentral Foundation is an Alaska Native-owned, nonprofit health care organization. Managing more than 80 health care programs and services, SCF serves 65,000 Alaska Native and American Indian people in Anchorage, the Mat-Su Borough and 55 rural villages in the Anchorage Service Unit.

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