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## **Clínica Tepeyac Appoints Dr. Tillman Farley as Interim Chief Health Officer**

September 21, 2016 – DENVER – Clínica Tepeyac today announced the appointment of Tillman Farley, M.D. as Interim Chief Health Officer.

Dr. Farley brings a range of experience working in clinics and hospitals, and has a deep understanding of the health challenges facing marginalized communities. He currently serves as the executive vice president for medical services of Salud Family Health Centers, a migrant/community health center with clinics across north and northeast Colorado. He also has a regular full-time appointment as associate professor in the department of family medicine in the University of Colorado School of Medicine.

“Dr. Farley’s a distinguished clinician with an outstanding record of accomplishments in the leadership of care centers across the country,” said Jim Garcia, CEO and founder of Clínica Tepeyac. “His breadth of experience is invaluable to our organization as we strive to ensure the best quality of care for the underserved. We are extremely grateful to have his leadership at this time.”

After graduating from the University of Colorado School of Medicine, Dr. Farley completed his residency in family medicine at the University of Rochester. Prior to moving to Colorado, he spent three years in private practice in upstate New York, and then three years in practice in far west Texas directing two federally qualified rural health centers. He has implemented a variety of successful integrated care models in practices in New York, Texas, and Colorado.

Dr. Farley lectures widely on integrated primary care, community health, health disparities, racism in healthcare, and immigrant health. He has served as a public member on the Commission for Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education, as chairman of the annual Families and Health Conference sponsored by the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine, and as chairman of the National Association of Community Health Centers Behavioral Health and HIV Committee.

He is currently on the Boards of Directors of 2040 Partners for Health in Aurora, Colo., and the Farley Center for Peace, Justice, and Sustainability in Verona, Wisconsin. He also is a member of the steering committee for Advancing Care Together, a grant funded project to improve integrated primary care practice.

“We are very thankful to our former Medical Director, Elisa Melendez, M.D., for her years of dedicated service to Clínica Tepeyac and its patients,” added Garcia. “We are now ready to

look for a new Chief Health Officer that can lead us into our next era, one that promises to be filled with significant opportunity and growth.”

**About Clínica Tepeyac**

Clínica Tepeyac was founded in 1994 as part of a grassroots community effort to provide basic health services to the uninsured and medically underserved. Along with providing high quality medical care, Clínica Tepeyac also provides a range of preventive health education and chronic disease management programs. Clínica Tepeyac has adopted an integrated model of care provision that includes a broad spectrum of medical, behavioral health and health promotion services. For more information, visit [clinatepeyac.org](http://clinatepeyac.org)