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**SIHD Welcomes New Associate Administrator**

Lone Pine, CA, March 24, 2017 — HCCA/Southern Inyo Healthcare District welcomed its newest team member Sharonda Brown, RN as its new Associate Administrator for Southern Inyo Healthcare District. Sharonda comes to Southern Inyo from Washington DC, where she was the Director of Emergency and Trauma Services at Howard University Hospital. Previously, Ms. Brown held multiple nursing and operational leadership positions in healthcare organizations in California, Florida and Georgia.

Chief Restructuring Officer/Administrator Alan Germany states, *"We are pleased to have Ms. Brown join our staff. Her vast knowledge and expertise is a key component of leadership that Team HCCA will use to further the mission of the district."*

As Associate Administrator, Ms. Brown will be responsible for day to day clinical and operational activities, including the continued integration of ancillary services, clinic, skilled nursing facility and the emergency room.

*"I am excited to collaborate with the nursing and physician leadership of Southern Inyo,"* states Ms. Brown. *"Our great team here is truly invested in the Lone Pine community. I am committed to the success of this organization and it is my pleasure to serve our community. With patient centered quality care as my priority, I am ready to roll up my sleeves and dive into fulfilling our mission."*

Ms. Brown's professional affiliations include the National Association of Professional Women (NAPW), Emergency Nursing Association (ENA) and American Nurses Association (ANA).

Since January 2016, HCCA has guided the healthcare operations of the Southern Inyo Healthcare District, which includes a 24/7 physician-staffed emergency room in a critical access hospital, skilled nursing facility, clinic, as well as additional healthcare services. The district proudly serves the healthcare needs of its residents and visitors.

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