



Foundation for the History of Women in Medicine

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Foundation for the History of Women in Medicine Announces New Executive Director

Victoria S. Burkhart Named Executive Director

Philadelphia – December 10, 2009. The Foundation for the History of Women in Medicine is pleased to announce the appointment of Victoria S. Burkhart as Executive Director. “We are thrilled to have Vicki assuming the position of Executive Director and we look forward to working with her in fulfilling our vision for the advancement of the Foundation,” said Dr. Christie Huddleston, Foundation Board Member.

A native of the Philadelphia region, Ms. Burkhart has worked with educational and social service organizations for more than 28 years. Prior to establishing The Burkhart Group, she served as the Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations at the Medical College of Pennsylvania and Hahnemann University for eight years and Director of Development and Alumni Relations at West Chester University for five years.

Ms. Burkhart’s areas of expertise include strategic planning, major gifts management, organizational development and administration, campaign coordination and volunteer management. A seasoned major gifts fundraiser, Ms. Burkhart has had hands-on experience with the development of major gifts programs, including cultivation activities, coaching volunteer and staff solicitors, developing gift strategy, and creating major gifts donor management programs. She has closed multi-million dollar gifts for several organizations. Ms. Burkhart received her Bachelor of Arts and Masters of Education degrees from the Pennsylvania State University where she studied organizational management and counseling.

The Foundation looks to Ms. Burkhart to use her extensive experience in fundraising and partnering with like-minded organizations to further the mission of the organization. “As Executive Director, Vicki will be able to garner greater visibility to our programs and initiatives,” said Dr. Wilma Siegel, Foundation Board Member and Alma Dea Morani Awards Committee Chair. “Her experience with women’s medical associations and her passion for the history of women in medicine will make her a strong Director.”

The Foundation for the History of Women in Medicine (FHWIM) was founded with the belief that knowing the historical past is a powerful force in shaping the future. FHWIM takes pride in “preserving our past to influence the future”, and focuses on its mission, to promote and to preserve the history of women in medicine and the medical sciences.

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