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San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center Announces New Physician Leadership

SAN FRANCISCO (June 20, 2011) – San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center (SFGH) announced two high-level appointments today: **Todd A. May, M.D.** as Chief Medical Officer and **Shannon Thyne, M.D.** as Chief of the Medical Staff.

“Dr. May and Dr. Thyne’s wide-ranging experience, commitment to our mission, broad understanding of hospital operations and wider health policy issues will be a tremendous asset as we move forward in the health care reform era,” said **Sue Currin**, chief executive officer at SFGH. “They are terrific physicians and talented leaders.”

Dr. May is the outgoing Chief of the Medical Staff and former Director of the Family Medicine Inpatient Service. A broadly trained and experienced family physician, Dr. May’s clinical work spans both outpatient and inpatient direct patient care and teaching activities. Over the course of his career, he has practiced full-spectrum ambulatory primary care, hospital medicine, intensive care, and urgent care. He is a Professor of Family and Community Medicine at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF).

Dr. Thyne is Medical Director of the SFGH Children’s Health Center, the city’s largest pediatric public health practice. An Associate Professor of Pediatrics at UCSF, her clinical, educational, and research efforts are based at SFGH. Dr. Thyne supervises students and residents, maintains a clinical practice, and conducts clinical research in the area of childhood asthma. She is involved in numerous clinical and educational efforts related to the care of children – including improvements in dental care, weight management, and the evaluation and treatment of children affected by child abuse.

Hal F. Yee, Jr., M.D., Ph.D. has stepped down as SFGH Chief Medical Officer to accept a new position as the Chief Deputy Director, Health Services, Medical and Clinical Affairs for the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services in July 2011.

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About Todd A. May, M.D., FAAFP

Dr. Todd May is Chief Medical Officer at San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center and a Professor of Family and Community Medicine at the UCSF. He has been a core faculty member in the Family Medicine residency program at SFGH for nearly 15 years. He has dedicated his professional life to the service of vulnerable populations as a primary care physician, a hospitalist, and as a role model and teacher of students and residents who share this commitment. As Chief Medical Officer, Dr. May strives to promote professionalism in medicine and to be an advocate for advancing safety and quality of care for underserved and vulnerable populations. Dr. May is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley and the UCSF School of Medicine. He completed a faculty development fellowship at UCSF, a medical leadership fellowship with the National Association of Public Hospitals, and currently is a Fellow in the California Health Care Foundation Medical Leadership program.



About Shannon Thyne, M.D.

Shannon Thyne, M.D.'s is the Chief of the Medical Staff at SFGH and Associate Professor of Pediatrics at UCSF. Her clinical, educational, and research efforts are based at SFGH and have centered around health care for underserved children and families. She serves as Medical Director of the SFGH Children's Health Center (CHC), the city's largest public health practice.. Within the CHC, she conceptualized, implemented, and now oversees both the Pediatric Asthma Clinic and the Multi-Disciplinary Assessment Center (MDAC- a developmental program for children ages 0-5). Dr. Thyne also provides clinical expertise in the area child abuse evaluations, and has been providing on-call service to the City's child physical and sexual abuse programs for more than 10 years. She received her undergraduate degree from Yale in 1989 and her medical degree from Brown University in 1995. She completed her pediatric residency and chief residency at UCSF.



About Hal F. Yee, Jr., M.D., Ph.D.

Hal F. Yee, Jr., M.D., Ph.D., has been Chief Medical Officer at San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center, and Rice Memorial Distinguished Professor of Medicine at UCSF. He also has served as Chief of Gastroenterology at SFGH and the Director of the UCSF/SFGH Center for Innovation Access & Quality. Dr. Yee graduated from Punahou School and Brown University. He received his MD/PhD from the University of California, Los Angeles, and completed Internal Medicine Residency and Gastroenterology Fellowship at UCSF. His current research seeks to create, implement, test, and disseminate strategies for improving access to and quality of specialty healthcare focusing on (1) integrating health information technology with specialty care delivery, (2) facilitating interactions between primary care and specialty providers, and (3) enhancing the efficiency of specialty service provision. Dr. Yee will become the Chief Deputy Director, Health Services, Medical and Clinical Affairs for the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services in July 2011.

About San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center

San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center is the sole provider of trauma and psychiatric emergency services for the City and County of San Francisco. A comprehensive medical center, SFGH serves some 100,000 patients per year and provides 20 percent of the city's inpatient care. As San Francisco's public hospital, SFGH's mission is to provide quality health care and trauma services with compassion and respect to patients that include the city's most vulnerable. General Hospital is also one of the nation's top tertiary academic medical centers, partnering with the University of California, San Francisco School of Medicine on clinical training and research.