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## Naveena Ponnusamy joins Venice Family Clinic as chief development officer

*14-year fundraising veteran previously served as executive director of development  
at the RAND Corporation*

**Venice, California, July 21, 2017**—Venice Family Clinic has hired Naveena Ponnusamy as its chief development officer. Ponnusamy oversees all of the Clinic’s public and private fundraising efforts, working with donors, staff, volunteers, and board members.

Venice Family Clinic is the largest community health center on the Westside of Los Angeles. With the help of more than 1,000 volunteers, including nearly 400 physicians, it provides comprehensive medical, behavioral health, dental, vision, child development, and health insurance enrollment services to 25,000 patients per year.

Ponnusamy leads a team of professionals who engage a committed group of individual donors, corporations, foundations, and public funders to support the Clinic’s mission of providing quality primary health care to people in need. The Clinic also reaches out to the philanthropic community through several high-profile events, including Venice Family Clinic’s Art Walk & Auctions, which is held each year in May at Google Los Angeles and brings together artists and art lovers to raise funds for the Clinic.

Prior to joining Venice Family Clinic, Ponnusamy was executive director of development at the RAND Corporation, where she led the policy research institute’s fundraising strategy and outreach. She also served in a variety of leadership roles in major and principal gifts and campaign planning at the University of Southern California and was the assistant dean, external relations, for the USC Marshall School of Business. Ponnusamy holds a BA from Columbia University and an MA from New York University.

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**About Venice Family Clinic:**

Venice Family Clinic’s mission is to provide quality primary health care to people in need. Launched in 1970 by founder Phillip Rossman, MD, and co-founder Mayer B. Davidson, MD, the Clinic has grown from a small storefront operation into the largest community health center on the Westside of Los Angeles, with 12 sites in Venice, Santa Monica, Mar Vista, Inglewood, and Culver City. For more information, visit [www.venicefamilyclinic.org](http://www.venicefamilyclinic.org).