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Sima Toussi, MD, Pediatric HIV/AIDS Specialist, Joins Amida Care as Medical Director

New York, NY (February 16, 2017)—Amida Care, New York’s largest Medicaid Special Needs Health Plan (SNP) for people with chronic conditions such as HIV/AIDS, today announced that Dr. Sima Toussi, MD, has joined the organization as Medical Director. Dr. Toussi brings more than eight years of experience focused on infectious diseases, particularly HIV.

“I look forward to working with Dr. Toussi to expand and improve Amida Care’s comprehensive suite of offerings for those living with chronic health conditions,” said Dr. Jerome Ernst, Chief Medical Officer of Amida Care. “Throughout her service in this field, Dr. Toussi has demonstrated a longstanding commitment to providing high-quality care to people living with HIV.”

“Dr. Toussi is a welcome addition to our highly regarded team of medical experts,” said Doug Wirth, President and CEO of Amida Care. “Her expertise will be an enormous asset to our members and to our broader efforts to end the AIDS epidemic in New York State by the year 2020.”

As Medical Director, Dr. Toussi will be responsible for ensuring that Amida Care continues to provide excellent, coordinated care to all members and working with colleagues to continue to make strides toward ending the HIV epidemic. An Associate Professor of Pediatrics in the Division of Pediatric Infectious Diseases at Weill Cornell Medical College, she previously served as the Medical Director of the Pediatric Clinic for Special Studies at Cornell, which provides medical care to HIV infected children and adolescents.

Dr. Toussi received her medical degree at Dartmouth Medical School. She completed her residency training in pediatrics at Jacobi Medical Center, Albert Einstein College of Medicine. She remained at Albert Einstein to complete a fellowship in Pediatric Infectious Diseases at the Children's Hospital at Montefiore, where her research focused on HIV infection and pathogenesis.

About Amida Care

Amida Care Inc. is a not-for-profit health plan that specializes in providing comprehensive health coverage and coordinated care to New Yorkers with chronic conditions, including HIV and behavioral health disorders, and people who are homeless (regardless of HIV status). We have a wide network of top health care providers in the five boroughs of New York City, and we are the largest Medicaid special needs health plan (SNP) in New York State. For more information, visit www.amidacareny.org.