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La Clínica to Receive the Organizational Public Health Hero Award from the UC Berkeley School of Public Health

OAKLAND, CA – On Wednesday, March 24th, La Clínica will receive the Organizational Public Health Hero Award from the UC Berkeley School of Public Health. The 14th Annual Public Health Heroes Award Gala celebration will be held at the Yerba Buena Center for the Arts in San Francisco. La Clínica will be recognized for its long standing record of providing high quality, culturally sensitive, and accessible health care services to diverse and vulnerable communities in California’s Alameda, Contra Costa, and Solano Counties.

“On behalf of La Clínica, I am honored to receive the Organizational Public Health Hero Award. Our goal has always been to create strong and healthy communities. For over 39 years, we have delivered high quality health care to the underserved populations of the East Bay. Our commitment to increase capacity to serve children and families who experience health care disparities remains at the forefront of our vision. As a community, we will continue to advocate on behalf of thousands without a voice to ensure they have access to quality health care services,” said Jane García, CEO.

La Clínica is a leading community health center, rooted in the concepts of wellness, prevention and patient centered care. It has been serving the community since 1971. Year after year, it continues to serve more patients in need of vital health care services. Last year, La Clínica provided health care to over 61,000 patients, a 15 percent increase from 2008. La Clínica is the medical home for many of the Bay Area’s uninsured and working poor. It is the safety net for thousands of adults, children and families who otherwise would not have access to affordable and quality health care. “We continue to work diligently to serve our patients and address their needs most effectively. This award is a testament of the quality of care we deliver in this community,” said Yvonne Hudson, President of Board of Directors.

About La Clínica

The mission of La Clínica is to improve the quality of life of the diverse communities we serve by providing culturally appropriate, high quality and accessible health care for all. Our 25 clinical sites are located in Alameda, Contra Costa and Solano Counties. For more information about La Clínica please visit www.laclinica.org.

About the UC Berkeley School of Public Health

Building on a campus tradition of preeminent interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary scholarship, education, and public engagement that challenges conventional thinking, the UC Berkeley School of Public Health develops diverse leaders equipped to help solve the health challenges of the 21st century and beyond. The school's mission is to conduct world class, rigorous research; apply knowledge to prevent disease and injury and promote the health of individuals and communities in California, the United States and the world; develop diverse leaders for professional and research careers through undergraduate, masters and doctoral programs; and enhance the knowledge and skills of the public health workforce through continuing education and technical assistance.

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