

DotHouse Health Names Don Duger as Chief Operating Officer

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Dorchester, Mass. - DotHouse Health today announced that Don Duger, MEd, MHP, PA-C will join the health center as Chief Operating Officer, beginning January 2018. Duger will be responsible for directing clinical operations activities for DotHouse's suite of clinical, behavioral and social services, which serve over 20,000 patients in Dorchester and the surrounding area.

Duger brings to the role more than 20 years of experience as a clinical and operations leader and a primary and urgent care Physicians Assistant. He joins DotHouse Health from Harvard Vanguard/Atrius Health, where he successfully managed two health centers and over 500 staff and clinicians. He designed and implemented programs in improving service excellence, clinical quality, revenue generation and reduction of unnecessary services.

"Don brings a unique blend of direct clinical experience and operations expertise to DotHouse Health," said President and Chief Executive Officer Michelle Nadow. "Don's commitment to clinical innovation, operations excellence, and community will be an excellent match to our mission and legacy of dedicated service."

Duger will play a key role in ensuring the efficient delivery of quality patient services, cutting across primary care, specialty care, and social services. In addition to embracing a changing medical environment, DotHouse Health has pioneered a range of innovative grant-funded programs and quality improvement projects. A Level 3 and Joint Commission-accredited health center, DotHouse Health <u>ranks</u> in the top half of all health centers nationwide for 12 of 16 clinical quality measures and continues to test new ideas in areas such as hypertension, oral health, substance abuse, and integrated services.

"DotHouse has a rich history as a pillar of health and wellness in Dorchester," said Duger. "I'm excited to be joining a dynamic and innovative team that is tirelessly testing new ideas to provide easy access to the most comprehensive, high quality and value-based care for the community. As a proud Dorchester resident of thirty years, I am thrilled to be continuing that work in the neighborhood I call home."

About DotHouse Health

DotHouse Health is a nationally recognized health and wellness center with over 130 years of outstanding service to the residents of Dorchester and beyond. A leader in the delivery of community healthcare, DotHouse Health offers a comprehensive suite of health care services and resources to meet the diverse needs of every family. By connecting patients and members of our community with holistic, affordable and accessible primary care, social services and community programs – all under one roof – we aim to be a leading force for change in our community.

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