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Randy Runyon Named OACHC President and CEO

(Columbus, Ohio) – Randy Runyon, Assistant Executive Director of the Community Action Committee of Pike County, has been named President and Chief Executive Officer of the Ohio Association of Community Health Centers (OACHC). Runyon replaces outgoing CEO Shawn Frick who recently accepted a position with the National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC).

Randy Runyon has spent 35 years working with Community Health Centers and community development issues all across Ohio. He has also served on numerous boards and commissions addressing issues that affect Appalachian Ohio. Mr. Runyon has served on the OACHC Board of Directors since 2000.

Mr. Runyon takes the reins at OACHC amidst the enactment of the largest health care change in American history. In Ohio, as well as across the nation, a direct investment will be provided to both strengthen and increase access to primary care through the growth and development of Community Health Centers.

“This is a critical time regarding health care and delivery of health care services for Ohioans and the nation. OACHC is committed to doubling patient access to quality comprehensive care throughout Ohio over the next five years. When people have a place to go for regular care, they use it and stay healthy while reducing significant cost for our system as a whole,” said Runyon. “I am honored to lead OACHC during this very important time.” Mr. Runyon officially begins on August 26, 2010.

OACHC represents Ohio's 35 Community Health Centers at over 160 sites in both urban and rural areas throughout the state.

To find out more about Ohio's Community Health Centers visit www.ohiochc.org.