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**Mercy Health Clinic Announces Lauren Cosgrove, MD, as New
Medical Director**



Gaithersburg, MD – Mercy Health Clinic is pleased to announce the appointment of Lauren Cosgrove, MD, as its new medical director. Dr. Cosgrove brings more than thirty years of experience practicing medicine, most recently for the Mid-Atlantic Permanente Medical Group.

“I am delighted to welcome Dr. Cosgrove as our medical director,” announced Mark Foraker, Executive Director of Mercy Health Clinic. “Her experience will help us move forward in our mission of providing quality healthcare to low income, uninsured adults in Montgomery

County.”

Dr. Cosgrove sees her past experience, including running an urgent care department and supporting a quality and peer review department, as key to helping her in her new position. She notes that this is a time of great change to the clinic as more health options are available to patients. “The challenge,” she reflects, “is to keep the core values of the Mercy Health Clinic while adjusting to external change in medicine and insurance delivery.” These changes include maintaining electronic records on all patients and accepting Medicaid for those who qualify. Her responsibilities include recruiting additional providers to the clinic as well as getting the word out to more potential patients.

Dr. Cosgrove is a cum laude graduate of Duke University and a graduate of the University of North Carolina School of Medicine with Clinical Honors.

Dr. Cosgrove taught family medicine as an assistant professor at Dartmouth Medical School. In addition, she has served on numerous boards and committees as well as workgroups related to nutrition, obesity and safety. Honors include a NCQA certification and recognition for excellence in diabetes management. Both “Washington Consumer’s Check Book” as well as “Washingtonian” magazine have listed her as one of Washington’s top doctors.