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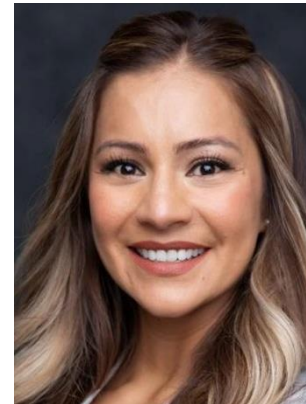
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## **ABIGAIL TARANGO JOINS EPCHD TO LEAD FOUNDATIONS**

**EL PASO, Texas** – The El Paso County Hospital District (District) today announces that Dr. Abigail Tarango, former executive with the Ysleta Independent School District (YISD), is joining the District to lead the University Medical Center Foundation and the El Paso Children’s Hospital Foundation.



*Abigail Tarango*

As the new Executive Director, Abigail now heads a multimillion-dollar foundation that funds programs and healthcare that greatly benefit the people of El Paso. UMC Foundation donors have the power to improve patient experience, impact physician recruitment and advance medical care.

Abigail worked with the YISD as the Director of Special Projects and Strategic Initiatives and was a member of the Executive Cabinet. Abigail is an exceptionally skilled and experienced researcher and has brought her years of leadership and community engagement to the District for the benefit of both hospitals.

“I am extremely happy that we were able to find such a qualified, enthusiastic and purposeful leader as Abigail to lead our two major foundations,” said R. Jacob Cintron, President & CEO. “Her role has a great responsibility to the patients and teams at both of the District’s hospitals.

I know this is a role that she is well-suited for and I am looking forward to her future achievements for the betterment of our patients, Associates and community.”

Abigail has a Doctor of Philosophy, Educational Leadership & Administration, from New Mexico State University; a Master of Science in Family & Consumer Science Education, from NMSU; and a Bachelor of Science in Family & Consumer Science, also from NMSU.

**About UMC:** For 106 years, University Medical Center of El Paso (UMC) has been providing exceptional, high quality care for the entire El Paso region. UMC is home to the region’s only Level I Trauma Center, the only Joint Commission-Certified Comprehensive Level I Stroke Center, and the first Level IV Maternal Critical Care Center. UMC’s mission is to Heal, to Serve and to Educate.

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