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Project Open Hand Names Dr. James Glauber Director of Research, Learning and Evaluation

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Project Open Hand (POH), a nutrition provider serving medically tailored meals to improve chronic health conditions for clients in San Francisco, Alameda, Contra Costa and San Mateo Counties, named James Glauber, MD, MPH, its new Director of Research, Learning and Evaluation.

Dr. Glauber joins Project Open Hand from the San Francisco Health Plan (SFHP), where he served as the Chief Medical Officer and Health Plan Physician Advisor for the past 8 years.

Dr. Glauber is a graduate of the School of Medicine at the University of California, San Francisco. He completed his residency and fellowship in pediatrics at Harvard Medical School, the University of Pennsylvania and the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. In addition, he has completed studies to achieve his Master of Public Health degree in Clinical Effectiveness, also at Harvard University, at the School of Public Health.

In addition to his clinical practice in pediatrics, Dr. Glauber has played important roles in pediatric health services research, and in quality improvement and assurance for Kaiser Permanente.

“My tenure at SFHP coincided with the growing recognition of the vital influence of diverse social determinants of health, especially on marginalized populations,” said Dr. Glauber.

“I developed a growing appreciation of the importance of nutrition in all phases of one’s health trajectory and worked to include a medically tailored meals program for SFHP members. I am looking forward to taking on this new role at Project Open Hand and helping to continue and improve the organization’s vital role as a nutrition provider for critically-ill individuals.”

In addition to research and papers on quality improvement and effectiveness, Dr. Glauber’s work has been published in the area of asthma and immunizations.

“Recent pilot and research projects have validated the effectiveness and approach of medically tailored meals as health care cost-saving interventions that improve the health outcomes of Project Open Hand’s clients”, reports Paul Hepfer, Chief Executive Officer of POH. “We are excited to have Dr. Glauber join the team in this role to translate this research to further enhance the agency’s ability to continue, as well as, to evaluate and improve the delivery of high-quality nutrition services.”
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