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## Senior living community welcomes new staff leadership

Recent hires at Franke Tobey Jones bring extensive aging and long-term care expertise

Tacoma – Carol Whitman, RN, has been hired by Franke Tobey Jones as Senior Director of Clinical Services. She brings more than 25 years of experience in nursing management and health care administration, most of which was focused on long-term care.

Whitman has served in director positions for skilled nursing and assisted living facilities as well as Alzheimer's/memory care residents. Her nursing expertise also includes work as an operating room nurse, as well as cardiology, urgent care and psychiatry.

“Carol is passionate about the quality of life and care for all seniors, and we are pleased to have her join our team to help ensure we provide the best care and service to our residents,” said Bruce Erickson, President and CEO.

Whitman has served as a member and chairperson of the Tri-County Long-Term Care Ombudsman Advisory Board, volunteered on a Rescue Squad as a Certified Emergency Medical Technician, and is a member of Pierce County's Community Emergency Response Team.

Along with Whitman, Franke Tobey Jones has hired Kathlyn Neal, MSW as Social Services Director. Neal brings diverse experience from the fields of aging and disability, having held positions as a private caregiver, community support advocate and counselor. She most recently worked in home health, palliative and hospice care programs as a medical social worker for patients and families coping with chronic and terminal illness.

“I believe the greatest resources at Franke Tobey Jones are the people; those who live here, their family members and supportive others, as well as our devoted and skilled staff,” said Neal.

“Kathlyn's strong background in gerontology, mental health and the specialized needs of the aging is a significant asset to our residents, staff and community we serve,” said Erickson. “We welcome Kathlyn to the Franke Tobey Jones family.”

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Established in 1924, Franke Tobey Jones is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization. As a Continuing Care Retirement Community, it offers multiple residences for active retirees, assisted living, 24-hour health care and memory support. Franke Tobey Jones offers innovative programs and services for both residents and community members, including the Wellness Center, Senior University and Pt Defiance Sr. Center. Visit Franke Tobey Jones online at [www.franketobeyjones.com](http://www.franketobeyjones.com) and on Facebook at [Facebook.com/franketobeyjones](https://www.facebook.com/franketobeyjones).