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MELINDA MOREE JOINS VITAL WAVE

PALO ALTO, CA – Dr. Melinda Moree has joined Vital Wave as a Vice President of Professional Services. Dr. Moree brings to the company 25 years' experience working with global and local development agencies, governments, and the private sector on issues related to international affairs, development, and global health. At Vital Wave, she will head the company's new office in Seattle, Washington, leading engagements with key clients and managing large-scale digital health initiatives.

"My focus throughout my career has been on improving the health and well-being of the poor," says Dr. Moree. "I am thrilled to be working with Vital Wave and taking a systems approach to large-scale change in the ICT4D space."

Dr. Moree was previously the CEO of a Bay Area non-profit BioVentures for Global Health. Prior to that she served as the Director of the PATH Malaria Vaccine Initiative (MVI), a public-private partnership that was one of the earliest investments of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The first malaria vaccine resulting from that program was just licensed for use in Africa. Dr. Moree has also worked with the Center for Global Development and the Gavi Alliance on financing and policy matters. Earlier in her career, she was awarded a Science and Diplomacy fellowship at USAID through the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). Dr. Moree serves on the boards of BioVentures for Global Health and Billings Middle School.

Announcing the latest addition to the firm, Vital Wave CEO Brooke Partridge said, "We are thrilled to have Melinda join the executive team. She offers tremendous leadership talent and depth of experience in Vital Wave's impact areas."

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