

## American Diabetes Association Colorado appoints Chief Medical Officer of Allscripts Analytics as New Member to Community Leadership Board

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DENVER and CHICAGO, Nov. 19, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- The American Diabetes Association along with Allscripts Healthcare Solutions, Inc. (Nasdaq:MDRX) announced today that the American Diabetes Association Colorado has welcomed Fatima Paruk, MD, MPH, Chief Medical Officer of Allscripts Analytics, as a new member to its Community Leadership Board.



The American Diabetes Association's Community Leadership Board is comprised of 18 proven leaders from all sectors of Colorado's business and healthcare communities. The Board works to bring the mission of the American Diabetes Association to life with one vision as a guiding force—to work toward a life free of diabetes and all its burdens. Alongside staff, its members recruit high-level volunteers to spearhead Association programs and events, open doors through personal and professional spheres of influence, and develop strategic market plans to help strengthen the organization's footprint in the community.

Dr. Paruk provides medical leadership to a world-class team to develop, design and deploy predictive models to improve health. She is a physician and public health specialist that has been extensively involved in health systems and global surgical initiatives. Recently, she has worked to utilize real-world big data to analyze the progression of diabetes and has led the development of clinical decision support content for diabetes and prediabetes management for integration into electronic health records at the point of care. In addition to her executive role, Fatima remains committed to disaster response and has been involved in the development of Kenya's National Emergency Care policy.

"It is an honor to join the American Diabetes Association Colorado Community Leadership Board," said Dr. Paruk. "Diabetes is a complex and costly disease that can lead to serious life-threatening complications. Having greater analytic insights into patient populations can provide early detection, lead to greater success in treatment plans and significantly improve the well-being of patients. That is why this cause is so important to me."

"We are delighted to welcome Dr. Paruk to the Community Leadership Board, Colorado," said Amy Stadler, Chair, American Diabetes Association Community Leadership Board, Colorado. "Dr. Paruk's expertise will help use the power of big data to help proactively identify patients who are at risk of diabetes and transform data into actionable insights, which can be delivered to clinicians— in real-time at the point of care."

For more information on ADA Colorado's volunteer leadership opportunities, contact Dave Samson, Area Executive Director, at dsamson@diabetes.org.

## About the American Diabetes Association

Nearly half of American adults have diabetes or prediabetes; more than 30 million adults and children have diabetes; and every 21 seconds, another individual is diagnosed with diabetes in the U.S. Founded in 1940, the American Diabetes Association (ADA) is the nation's leading voluntary health organization whose mission is to prevent and cure diabetes, and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes. The ADA drives discovery

by funding research to treat, manage and prevent all types of diabetes, as well as to search for cures; raises voice to the urgency of the diabetes epidemic; and works to safeguard policies and programs that protect people with diabetes. In addition, the ADA supports people living with diabetes, those at risk of developing diabetes, and the health care professionals who serve them through information and programs that can improve health outcomes and quality of life. For more information, please call the ADA at 1-800-DIABETES (1-800-342-2383) or visit diabetes.org. Information from both of these sources is available in English and Spanish. Find us on Facebook (American Diabetes Association), Twitter (@AmDiabetesAssn) and Instagram (@AmDiabetesAssn)

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