



## HOXWORTH BLOOD CENTER | NEWS RELEASE

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### **Hoxworth Blood Center Appoints New Cabinet Members**

**CINCINNATI (August 1, 2021)** – Hoxworth Blood Center, University of Cincinnati is pleased to announce the promotion of Caroline Alquist, MD, PhD, F(ACHI) and Judith Gonzalez, BS, MT(ASCP), CLT, to the Cabinet of the blood center management team. Alquist will serve as the Chief Transplant-Services Officer and Gonzalez as the Chief Production Officer.

“I am pleased to welcome Dr. Alquist and Ms. Gonzalez to their new roles,” said Jose Cancelas, PhD, MD/Director of Hoxworth Blood Center. These individuals bring a wealth of experience and expertise in their fields and will continue to be a tremendous asset to our blood center as we further our mission of saving lives close to home.”

Alquist, a Cincinnati native, arrived at Hoxworth Blood Center one year ago following her education and career in Louisiana. She most recently served at Oscher Health as a Pathologist focused on TM/HLA. Dr. Alquist will have oversight of the Therapeutic Apheresis Program and the Transplantation Immunology Division.

Gonzalez arrived in Hoxworth Blood Center in 2018 from San Diego Blood Center, where she served as Director of Laboratory Services. She continued in that role at Hoxworth and will now oversee the Donor Services and Donor Recruitment Departments.

The appointment of Alquist and Gonzalez increased the Cabinet to five. They join Blood Center Director/Chief Executive Officer, Jose Cancelas, MD, PhD; Chief Medical Officer, David Oh, MD; and Chief Operating Officer, Chris Nare, MS, M.T (AMT).

**About Hoxworth:**

Hoxworth Blood Center, University of Cincinnati, was founded in 1938 and serves more than 31 hospitals in 18 counties in Southwestern Ohio, Northern Kentucky, and Southeastern Indiana. Annually, Hoxworth collects more than 90,000 units of blood from local donors to help save the lives of patients in area hospitals. Hoxworth Blood Center: Saving Lives Close to Home.

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