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### ***Grossmont College Names Debbie Yaddow Director of Nursing***

**El Cajon** - This year, Debbie Yaddow's Grossmont College experience came full circle.

In 1983, she was graduated from the college's nursing program. In January, she began her first semester as the program's director.

"She has a great deal of experience and expertise in nursing," said Fred Allen, Senior Dean of Business and Professional Studies, in announcing the appointment. This includes service as an RN at Grossmont and Alvarado hospitals, and at Children's Hospital in San Diego. She earned a master's degree in nursing in 1987.

Yaddow returned to Grossmont in 1991, joining the nursing faculty. Among her faculty accomplishments is developing and teaching a critical thinking course, which has application to students at every level of the nursing program. She was invited to be a Grossmont College commencement speaker in 2005, an honor bestowed on a Grossmont College alum who is also a member of the faculty and/or staff.

As a result of her leadership working with College and District Administration, Yaddow helped secure an important grant from the Grossmont Healthcare District. The grant has made it possible to recruit five new full-time nursing instructors this semester (bringing the full-time

faculty to 12) and to hire enough new adjunct instructors to fill the department's staffing needs.

Staffing is key to renewing the program's status with the National League for Nursing

Accrediting Commission.

"I am committed to the nursing program at Grossmont College," Yadow said.

"Together with the faculty we will seek our NLNAC accreditation no later than fall, 2008.

Together, we will continue to uphold the standards of excellence that the Grossmont College

Nursing Program has always had."

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