

# ObsEva Announces Appointment of Dr. Brandi Howard as Chief Clinical Officer

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**GENEVA, Switzerland – May 2, 2022 – ObsEva SA (NASDAQ: OBSV; SIX: OBSN),** a biopharmaceutical company developing and commercializing novel therapies for women's health, today announced the appointment of Dr. Brandi Howard as Chief Clinical Officer and member of the company's Executive Committee, effective May 9, 2022. Dr. Howard, who brings to ObsEva more than 20 years of women's health expertise, will be responsible for the Company's clinical development and medical affairs strategy. She succeeds Dr. Elizabeth Garner, who will be departing the Company on May 6, 2022 to pursue a new opportunity. To help ensure a smooth transition, Dr. Garner has agreed to provide advisory consulting services to ObsEva on an as needed basis.

"We are pleased to welcome Brandi, a recognized expert in women's health, at this promising time for ObsEva as we anticipate our first product approvals in 2022 and further advancement of our attractive pipeline," said Brian O'Callaghan, CEO of ObsEva. "Brandi is the clear and unanimous choice of the Board and executive team to serve as our Chief Clinical Officer, given her demonstrated success leading clinical development programs, medical affairs organizations, new product launches, and regulatory processes. We wish Beth well in her future endeavors. I know I speak on behalf of all our employees when I say that it has been an honor and pleasure to work together, and I am very pleased that Beth will remain a key part of ObsEva's future success as an advisor to the Company."

Dr. Howard has deep women's health expertise with increasing responsibilities in medical affairs strategy and leadership, as well as leading large clinical development programs. She was previously Head of Medical and Clinical Affairs at Evofem Biosciences (NASDAQ: EVFM) since 2016 where she led the clinical program for the FDA approval of Phexxi®, as well as the creation of the medical affairs organization in support of the launch. Dr. Howard was also responsible for driving the successful Phase 2b/3 study for additional indications and the current Phase 3 confirmatory trial. Prior to joining Evofem, she spent eight years in various roles at Teva Pharmaceuticals (NYSE: TEVA) in Global and U.S. medical affairs, including as Head of U.S. Field Medical Affairs directing over 100 medical affairs professionals across eight therapeutic areas and the U.S. Medical Director for Women's Health. Dr. Howard has also been actively involved in investor relations and business development activities in prior roles. Her Ph.D. research at the University of Pennsylvania focused on adolescent sexual behaviors and contraceptive use. She earned her Bachelor of Science, Nursing, from the Medical College of Georgia and her Master of Science, Women's Health and Perinatology, from Georgia State University.

Dr. Howard commented: "It's an exciting time to be joining ObsEva, with the expected approval of linzagolix for uterine fibroids in Europe and the United States in the next six months and subsequent transition to a commercial-stage company. With a talented team and promising pipeline in place, ObsEva is strongly positioned to address the most challenging unmet needs facing women and bring much needed innovation to the field. I look forward to building on the momentum created by Beth and the team to date, and being part of ObsEva's next phase of growth."

Dr. Garner added: "It has been a privilege to work with the remarkably talented and driven team at ObsEva. Brandi and I have had a close professional relationship for a number of years, and I believe she is



ideally suited to lead the clinical development and medical affairs strategy at ObsEva going forward. I look forward to contributing to the Company's ongoing achievements in my capacity as a consultant and am confident of ObsEva's future success."

#### **About ObsEva**

ObsEva is a biopharmaceutical company developing and commercializing novel therapies to improve women's health. Through strategic in-licensing and disciplined drug development, ObsEva has established a late-stage clinical pipeline with development programs focused on new therapies for the treatment of uterine fibroids, endometriosis, and preterm labor. ObsEva is listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market and is traded under the ticker symbol "OBSV" and on the SIX Swiss Exchange where it is traded under the ticker symbol "OBSN". For more information, please visit www.ObsEva.com.

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