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KidsPeace Names Thespina Godshalk Director of TeenCentral



SCHNECKSVILLE, PA (January 19, 2017) - KidsPeace has named Thespina Godshalk, M.S., LPC, to the position of Director of TeenCentral. In this role, Godshalk will manage the organization's web-based counseling resource for teens, TeenCentral.Net.

Godshalk earned a bachelor's degree in experimental psychology from Moravian College and a master's degree in clinical psychology from Chestnut Hill College. She is a Licensed Professional Counselor and served as a therapist and clinician in several community and residential mental health organizations before joining KidsPeace in 2012. Most recently, she served as senior clinical program and staff development specialist in KidsPeace's organizational development and training department.

Founded in 1998, TeenCentral.Net is a prevention and intervention resource site designed for teens in any location, providing information and support on issues that are important to them. The centerpiece of the service is the ability for teens to safely and anonymously post questions, concerns or description of their struggles, and receive a response from a trained counselor within 24 hours, free of charge. In 2011, KidsPeace launched a companion site, ParentCentral.Net, to provide similar support and guidance to parents and caregivers.

Godshalk, of Hanover Township, will manage KidsPeace's activities to redesign and relaunch the two sites in the spring of 2017, and to promote their benefits to key audiences going forward. She will be based at the organization's administrative headquarters in Schnecksville, PA.

(Editors: For a JPEG of Ms. Godshalk's photo, please contact us at the email above.)

For 135 years, KidsPeace has been building on its expertise to give hope, help and healing to children, families and communities throughout the United States. Through its comprehensive range of residential treatment programs; accredited educational services; unique psychiatric hospital and foster care and community-based programs, KidsPeace is dedicated to helping people connect, transform and overcome their challenges to ensure a stable future, transition to adulthood and gain independence. Since its doors opened in 1882, more than 200,000 children have participated in one of the multitude of programs KidsPeace offers.

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