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## **KidsPeace Offers New Preschool Program at Graham Lake Campus for Children Ages 3 to 5 with Learning and Developmental Challenges**

**ELLSWORTH, ME (January 19, 2016)** - KidsPeace is now accepting referrals for a new preschool program for children with learning and developmental challenges ages 3 to 5, at its Graham Lake Campus in Ellsworth, ME.

KidsPeace New England (located in Maine) offers a variety of programs and services to families with children ages 3 to 20 who have been identified with autism, developmental disabilities, and behavioral health needs. The Graham Lake Campus provides non-medical interventions for children and their families in its 24-Hour Residential Program.

KidsPeace also provides Day Treatment services through its Maine DOE licensed special purpose private schools in Ellsworth and East Millinocket. This service is available to residential clients and the surrounding regional public schools for students in grades K-12.

To further meet the needs of children and families in the local communities, KidsPeace has launched the *Milestones* Program to provide essential Day Treatment services to children ages 3 to 5 with learning and developmental challenges.

The newly licensed *Milestones* Program, located at the Graham Lake Campus, will provide individualized preschool programs and daycare services, including speech therapy, physical therapy, individual and family therapy, case management, and applied behavior analysis services.

The program is designed to serve younger students in need of a structured, small-group educational environment. Using the KidsPeace Model of Care, children in the *Milestones* Program can receive the education, support, and treatment needed to help them meet their developmental milestones in preparation for public school.

The KidsPeace *Milestones* Program is now accepting referrals; for more information, please contact Heather Erskin, Admissions Specialist at 207-664-1219. Referrals are also being accepted through Child Development Services.

*For 133 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. For additional resources or more information on how to get involved, become a foster parent or make a donation, please visit [www.kidspeace.org](http://www.kidspeace.org). Follow us at [www.facebook.com/kidspeace.org](https://www.facebook.com/kidspeace.org) or on Twitter @KidsPeace.*

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