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KidsPeace Publishes 20th Anniversary Issue of *Healing Magazine*

SCHNECKSVILLE, PA (May 19, 2016) - Articles that look both back and forward are the centerpiece of the 20th Anniversary Issue of *Healing Magazine*, the twice-yearly free publication from KidsPeace, which was published today.

The first issue of *Healing* came out in 1996, and since then the publication has delivered both information and inspiration to professionals in the mental health field, as well as teachers, school counselors and others interested in helping children reach their full potential.

Editors used Issue #1 as a starting point for the special anniversary edition, which features updates on programs discussed in that first issue - acute partial hospitalization, art therapy and play therapy theory.

The magazine also looks at issues likely to affect the treatment of children with mental and behavior health challenges in the future, such as limiting “polypharmacy” (prescribing multiple powerful medications for children), using technology to improve access to psychiatric care, and helping therapists address the specific needs of transgender patients.

In November 2015, KidsPeace launched www.healingmagazine.org, the web-based digital home for *Healing Magazine*. Visitors to that site are able to download and read all issues of *Healing* -- including the 20th anniversary issue -- and subscribe to future issues of the free publication.

For 134 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. Follow us at www.facebook.com/kidspeace.org or on Twitter @KidsPeace.

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