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## **KidsPeace Names Caron Farrell, M.D., Ph.D., FAAP Vice President of Medical Affairs for KidsPeace Hospital**

**OREFIELD, PA (August 14, 2019)** - KidsPeace announced today that **Caron Farrell, M.D., Ph.D., FAAP** has joined the organization as **Vice President of Medical Affairs for KidsPeace Hospital**.



In this position, Dr. Farrell will lead all hospital-based medical services at the hospital, including psychiatric, pediatric/family practice, nurse practitioners and physician's assistants. She has completed medical training in both psychiatry and pediatrics and is triple board certified in Psychiatry, Child & Adolescent Psychiatry, and Pediatrics. In addition to providing administrative leadership for the medical staff at the hospital, she will also participate in providing clinic care for patients as part of KidsPeace's interdisciplinary treatment team approach.

Dr. Farrell comes to KidsPeace from serving as a child & adolescent psychiatrist and behavioral health program director at Children's Comprehensive Care clinic of Dell Children's Medical Center, and on the clinical faculty for child & adolescent psychiatry services at the Seton Mind Institute, both in Austin, TX. She is the author of numerous academic presentations and publications, and has been an assistant professor with The University of Texas medical school system since 2010, most recently with The UT Dell Medical School in Austin.

Dr. Farrell received her medical degree from Yale University and a master's degree and Ph.D. in chemical engineering/molecular bioengineering from the University of Illinois. She completed a combined residency in pediatrics, psychiatry and child & adolescent psychiatry at Indiana University School of Medicine.

"Dr. Farrell brings a wealth of clinical experience and academic leadership to her role at KidsPeace, and we're delighted to have her join our team," said Dr. Matthew Koval, KidsPeace's Executive Vice President and Chief Medical Officer. "Dr. Farrell's training and board certification as a child psychiatrist and a pediatrician makes her ideally suited to lead our medical staff to provide the high quality psychiatric care that our clients deserve here at KidsPeace Hospital."

"KidsPeace has assembled an amazing leadership team, with a commitment to excellence in serving children with emotional and behavioral needs and their families. I look forward to joining their team and working toward further improvements in mental health care locally, regionally, and nationally," Dr. Farrell said.

KidsPeace Hospital is a 120-bed free-standing facility that serves children, adolescents and young adults (ages 4 to 20-1/2 years) who require short-term inpatient psychiatric care. The hospital is located on KidsPeace's Orchard Hills Campus in Orefield, PA.

*Since 1882, KidsPeace has been building on its expertise to give hope, help and healing to children, adults and those who love them. 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, more than 250,000 children have participated in one of the multitude of programs KidsPeace offers.*

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