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Accreditation Announcement

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The John McGivney Children's Centre is pleased to announce that we have been awarded a three-year accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF International) for the following programs:

- Home and Community Services (Pediatric Specialty Program)
- Interdisciplinary Outpatient Medical Rehabilitation Programs (Pediatric Specialty Program)
- *Governance Standards Applied*

This achievement, which represents the highest level of accreditation, recognizes the Center's success in delivering high-quality client-centered care, based on best practices.

The evaluation was based on evidence we submitted and a three day survey of JMCC in December, 2014. Two surveyors from CARF International were on-site and met with a broad spectrum of people from different areas of the centre and the community, including board members, physicians, clinicians, other employees, clients, family members and community partners to discuss their experiences, perceptions and expectations.

The surveyors from CARF highlighted many of our strengths and succinctly noted that we "...excel at building and sustaining community partnerships that focus on centralizing family focused resources for children and youth with special needs". As the largest provider of community-based pediatric rehabilitative services in Windsor and Essex County and in the Erie St Clair LHIN, we are very proud of this accomplishment. Over the coming years, we will continue to enhance and improve our services as we work toward our next review by CARF.

Thank you to all of the people who receive services, their families, employees of JMCC and community members who contributed to JMCC's successful accreditation process. It would not have been possible without everyone's involvement. We hope that you will join us in celebrating this long-awaited achievement.

Elaine Whitmore, CEO

About CARF International:

CARF is an independent, non-profit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process that centers on enhancing the lives of the persons served. Founded in 1966 as the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, and now known as CARF International, the accrediting body establishes consumer-focused standards to help organizations measure and improve the quality of their programs and services. For more information about the accreditation process, please visit the CARF website at www.carf.org.