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New Board Members Join Health Centers in Schools

BATON ROUGE, LA– Anne Fréchette of Amedisys, Jamie Griffin of Actualize Services, Paul Kirk of Woman’s Hospital, and Adren Wilson of the Equity and Inclusion Campaign joined the board of directors of Health Centers in Schools. These new board members were welcomed to the organization at the December annual meeting of the non-profit at Juban’s Restaurant.

Anne Fréchette is vice president of Disease Management for Amedisys, Inc., overseeing the development and implementation of standardized care management programs and outreach call center operations. Beginning her career with Amedisys in 2003 as director of operations in Lakeland, Florida, she was subsequently promoted to regional administrator, supervising 15 home health agencies in central and southwest Florida before joining the corporate team. Ms. Fréchette has over 30 years of experience in nursing administration, outcomes research, entrepreneurial and business development roles in home health and sub-acute care. Now residing in Baton Rouge, Ms. Fréchette is a graduate of Florida State University School of Nursing and attended graduate school at the University of Connecticut in the Masters in Public Health Program.

Jamie Griffin is the principal of Actualize Services, LLC, providing services on a freelance, hour-by-hour or project-by-project basis to select clients. Previously director of Development at Raising Cane’s Chicken Fingers, Mr. Griffin was responsible for development, franchise growth, intellectual property management, and coordination of legal services. With the number of restaurants growing from 10 stores to over 80, the support office staff of 15 grew to nearly 100. Prior to joining Raising Cane’s, Mr. Griffin represented Louisiana State University’s Future Business Leaders of America chapter as a national officer attending nearly 150 student leadership conferences. Actively involved in his community, Mr. Griffin serves on the Forum 35 executive board and the East Baton Rouge Parish Library System Board of Control. He has received numerous honors, including being selected as a 2007 recipient of the Baton Rouge Business Report’s Top 40 Under Forty award. In 2008, 225 Magazine selected Griffin as one of the top nine people to watch in the Louisiana capital region. Graduating from Louisiana State University with a Bachelor of Science degree, he also completed the Internal Audit program and attained a lifetime, statewide Notary Public commission. Mr. Griffin lives in Baton Rouge.

Paul Kirk is the vice president of Information Systems of Woman’s Hospital with administrative responsibility for Information Systems, Facilities Management, Tele-communications, Bio Med and the Department of Defense Initiative. Promoted to vice president in May 2005, Mr. Kirk joined the hospital in March 2002 as director of Information Systems. Prior to joining the hospital, Mr. Kirk was with United Companies Financial Corporation in Baton Rouge for 18 years most recently serving as senior vice president of Information Systems and Support Service, and serving simultaneously as President of United Communication Corporation, a subsidiary of United Companies. Mr. Kirk is a member of Healthcare

Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS), the College of Healthcare Information Management Executives (CHIME), CIO's of Baton Rouge and Louisiana Chapter of HIMSS (LaHIMSS) where he serves on the board. He also served on the board of Family Service of Greater Baton Rouge and Intecom User's Group Association. Holding a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Technology from Louisiana State University, Mr. Kirk is a graduate of the 2007 class of Leadership Baton Rouge and the 2009 class of Louisiana Leadership. He makes his home in St. Francisville, where he is assistant scout master with Troop 51 of the Istrouma Area Council of Boy Scouts of America and serves on the Pastor Parish Relations Committee of the local United Methodist Church.

Adren Wilson is the national director of the Equity and Inclusion Campaign. A recent graduate of the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, he helped create the Louisiana's Solutions to Poverty program. Prior to attending Harvard, Mr. Wilson was assistant secretary with the Louisiana Department of Social Services, appointed by Governor Blanco, where he provided leadership for the Office of Family Support (OFS). Prior to his public service, he served as the head of Louisiana Field Operations and Student Leadership Development for the Children's Defense Fund (CDF), and had previously served as the national director of their Youth and Student Leadership Development in Washington, D.C. Before joining the CDF, Mr. Wilson served in numerous capacities at Louisiana State University, receiving several awards for leadership and outstanding achievement helping youth. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Information Center of Louisiana, Inc. and the Baton Rouge Children's Coalition, and previously served on the board of the Baton Rouge League of Women Voters. In 2006 Mr. Wilson was named to the Baton Rouge Business Report's Top 40 Leaders Under 40 in the community. A former middle school history teacher at Park Forest Middle School in Baton Rouge, he received his bachelor's degree in history and political science from Louisiana State University.

"HCS is extremely excited to have these outstanding members of the community join our organization's support network," stated Sue Catchings, CEO of HCS. "They have a tremendous amount of experience in diverse areas, and we are very honored and thrilled to have them as advisors and supporters of our growth and ongoing expansion effort."

Health Centers in Schools, a 501(c)3 organization, operates 11 school-based health centers at East Baton Rouge and Recovery District public schools and also manages the school nursing program. HCS delivers innovative, quality, cost-effective school-based health services for children in the greater Baton Rouge area. Certified professionals take care of daily maladies and return kids to the classroom. HCS professionals also provide preventive primary care, immunizations, mental health counseling, eye and hearing screening.

Other HCS board members are: Rita Baillie, RN of the East Baton Rouge Health Unit, Kredenna Beverly, DDS of Smile Stars Dentistry, Dr. Herman Brister, of the East Baton Rouge Parish School System, Aminthe Broussard of FMOL Health System, Rev. Errol Domingue of Elm Grove Baptist Church, John Paul Funes of OLOL Foundation, Dr. Stewart Gordon of LSU Health Sciences Center, Wanda Hughes, RN of Baton Rouge General Medical Center, Susan Pryor, DNS, RN of SLU School of Nursing, Christina Stephens of the Louisiana Recovery Authority, Genny Nadler Thomas of the Louisiana Association of Museums, and Chairperson Anne Marie Zima from Capital One Bank.

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