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The Center for Autism Appoints New Directors

PHILADELPHIA, June 3, 2008— The Center for Autism, a nonprofit autism treatment and evaluation center, announces that David T. Leamer has been hired as the director of clinical services. Additionally, Margot Burke, Psy.D. has joined the organization as a program director.

“We are pleased to have David and Margot on our senior management team,” said Jean Ruttenberg, executive director of the Center for Autism. “They bring a wealth of managerial and clinical experience, which will prove to be of great benefit as we expand to serve more people with autism.”

Leamer brings over 20 years of experience to his role as director of clinical services. In this position, he will oversee the Center’s multiple therapeutic programs for autistic individuals and families. Leamer previously served as the corporate director of educational services and administrator for Progressions Companies, Inc. in Plymouth Meeting. He holds a master’s degree in counseling psychology from Immaculata University and is a licensed professional counselor in Pennsylvania.

As a program director, Burke will manage the delivery of treatment services to the Center’s preschool-aged clients and their families. She previously worked as the senior psychologist for Bancroft NeuroHealth in Haddonfield, NJ and currently provides psychotherapy through a private practice in Philadelphia. Burke holds a doctorate of psychology from Yeshiva University, New York, NY, and is a licensed psychologist in New York and Pennsylvania.

About The Center for Autism

The Center for Autism was founded in 1955 by renowned child psychiatrist Bertram A. Ruttenberg, M.D., and is the oldest specialized autism center in the nation. Operating as a private, nonprofit clinic, the Center offers comprehensive evaluation and intensive treatment to individuals with autism and their families. The organization also provides consultation to school districts, counties and rehabilitation centers serving autistic people of all ages throughout the Delaware Valley. The Center for Autism is headquartered on Conshohocken Avenue in Philadelphia. For more information, please visit www.thecenterforautism.org.

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