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## **Key Executive Joins Children's Health Fund Board**

(New York) - Children's Health Fund, which brings high-quality health care to some of the country's most disadvantaged children, is pleased to welcome a new member to its board of directors.

Marc Costantini, Executive Vice President of Commercial and Government Markets at The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America, joins the board as Children's Health Fund celebrates the end of the first year with CEO Dennis Walto at the helm.

"We are thrilled to welcome Marc to the Children's Health Fund." said Dennis Walto, Chief Executive Officer of Children's Health Fund. "His passion for improving the lives of disadvantaged children is evident. Marc played an integral role in bringing Guardian on as a lead sponsor of Children's Health Fund's dental programs. Children's Health Fund, and the children and families we serve, will benefit tremendously from his enthusiasm and track record as an industry leader."

Prior to becoming the Executive Vice President of Commercial and Government Markets, Costantini was Guardian's Chief Financial Officer, leading the risk, actuarial, financial and internal audit functions. Costantini's excellent relationship building skills and financial savvy are assets that will help Children's Health Fund reach even more children with more services in the coming years.

Costantini has vast experience championing children's causes. He was a member of the Board of Overseers of Boston's Children's Hospital. He was also a member of the Children's Finance Committee, Audit Committee, and Bond Finance Committee.

"I am inspired by Children's Health Fund's commitment to its mission of bringing high quality health care to children in need across America," said Marc Costantini. "All children deserve access to health services. As a member of the Children's Health Fund board, I am proud to become part of the movement to help achieve this goal."

"Marc's valuable experience and leadership will be a welcome addition to our board," states Hervé Sedky, Chairman of the Board of Children's Health Fund. "It is always wonderful seeing our team grow in ways that will positively impact the mission of this organization."

## About the Children's Health Fund

Founded in 1987 by Dr. Irwin Redlener, singer/ songwriter Paul Simon and program designer Karen Redlener, Children's Health Fund's mission is to bring health care directly to homeless and low-income children and their families. CHF accomplishes this mission by expanding access to comprehensive and innovative primary care; reducing "health barriers to learning" that interfere with child development and school performance; responding to the needs of vulnerable children impacted by major public health crises; and improving the health and well-being of children through advocacy and public education efforts. Over the past 30 years, CHF has provided more than 4 million health care encounters, often in places where doctors and health care providers are in short supply.

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