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Jodi P. Carter, MD, Local Pediatrician, Joins Phoenix Children's KidsLink Service

Position allows Carter to provide patient care, teach residents

PHOENIX, Ariz. (Feb. 15, 2008) – Phoenix Children's Hospital recently added Jodi P. Carter, MD, a local general pediatrics practitioner, to its KidsLink Hospitalist Service, a program designed for private practice doctors, specialists and surgeons who desire assistance in covering their hospitalized patients.

Carter received her medical degree at the University of Arizona College of Medicine, Tucson, AZ, and completed her pediatric residency at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center, Lebanon, NH, where she earned membership into the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society.

"We've come to know Dr. Carter very well as a talented community physician," says Bob Meyer, president and CEO of the Hospital. "We know she'll make an excellent addition to the team of highly skilled physicians who provide coverage in our hospital."

Most recently working at North Scottsdale Pediatric Associates, P.C., Carter, an Arizona native, oversees the care of children admitted to the Hospital. As part of her duties, she also teaches pediatrics to Phoenix Children's residents and medical students representing schools across the country.

"Although I greatly enjoyed my time as a community pediatrician, I missed caring for children during crucial times of acute illness; becoming part of Phoenix Children's and KidsLink has allowed me to accomplish this goal, support families while in the hospital, and become part of an incredible academic pediatric community," Carter says. "I feel that the in-patient care we provide for children is unparalleled and sets a wonderful example for our pediatricians-in-training to follow."

Phoenix Children's Hospital's KidsLink service is available to physicians who've desired assistance in covering their hospitalized patients. A cornerstone of the program is the Hospital's respect for the existing physician-patient relationship. The program provides a critical link between temporary hospitalization and the physician's ongoing care of the child and family.

The KidsLink Hospitalist Division consists of 15 board-certified pediatricians and provides 24-hour-a-day, in-house service to Phoenix Children's Hospital and the Pediatric Unit at Scottsdale Healthcare-Shea.

Phoenix Children's Hospital is Arizona's leader in pediatric care and is one of the 10 largest children's hospitals in the nation. The most comprehensive array of pediatric specialists in the state practice at this one organization. The outstanding clinical expertise, as well as high patient volume, and an unwavering commitment to caring only for children, all contribute to Phoenix Children's leadership position. For information, visit the Hospital's Web site at www.phoenixchildrens.com.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Photo of Carter is attached.

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