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Presbyterian Children's Village promotes Patrick Oleskey to Director of Independent Living and Behavioral Health Services

(Rosemont, PA) Presbyterian Children's Village is pleased to announce the promotion of **Patrick Oleskey** to Director of Independent Living and Behavioral Health Services. Oleskey has worked in the Village Independent Living Program, and brings experience in Behavioral Health Services and in the Sanctuary Model of Trauma Informed Care as well. He will be responsible for both the Independent Living Program located in Rosemont, Pennsylvania, and the Consultation and Education (C&E) Program, which operates from the Preheim Center in Southwest Philadelphia.

Prior to arriving at PCV in 2008, Oleskey worked for Andrus Children's Center as therapist, intern, case manager, and project coordinator for the PA Sanctuary Project. He received his undergraduate education at Amherst College and his Masters in Social Work from New York University.

The Village **Independent Living Program** provides a transitional living experience for older adolescents preparing for independence. Participants live in apartments on the Rosemont Campus. They receive educational assistance, vocational training, counseling, and life skills education.

The **Consultation and Education (C&E) Program** serves elementary and middle schools in the Southwest Academic Area of the Philadelphia School District. C&E specialists, in collaboration with the schools, identify and provide services to the families of children who are exhibiting behavioral or emotional problems in school. C&E services help stabilize the situation and prevent more intensive intervention in the future.

Founded as an orphanage in 1877, Presbyterian Children's Village today is a non-profit corporation dedicated to the healing of the spirits of children, families and communities broken by violence, addiction, poverty, mental illness, racism and other serious societal problems. The Village serves more than 7,000 children each year in the greater Philadelphia area.

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