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## Leading children's advocate, Kim Moran, appointed President and CEO

Toronto – (May 1, 2014) – Gordon Dunning, Board Chair of Children's Mental Health Ontario (CMHO), is pleased to announce the appointment of Kim Moran as President and CEO effective July 1, 2014. "The Board of Directors is thrilled to have Kim leading Children's Mental Health Ontario. Her expertise in developing and executing innovative strategies for transformational growth and her strength in building strong partnerships will increase the financial and operating capacity of our member agencies and build awareness and understanding of child and youth mental health across the province."

Recognized as a leading advocate for children with a focus on mental health, Kim brings more than twenty-five years of senior leadership experience in the private and not-for-profit sector to the organization. She is passionate about improving the community service delivery of children's mental health because of her personal experiences as the mother of a daughter who became seriously ill.

Since 2012, Kim has been Special Advisor to the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto, where she has developed innovative funding collaborations in public/private partnerships to address gaps in health service delivery and basic science research funding, including the recently announced Medical Psychiatry Alliance. Previously, she served as Chief Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Acting CEO of UNICEF Canada. She led UNICEF Canada's response to the devastating earthquake in Haiti, when Canada was one of the top donor countries contributing more than \$13 million. Kim also spearheaded UNICEF Canada's advocacy, communications and government relations work around the 2010 G20 Summit in Toronto, successfully advocating for funding for maternal, newborn and child health; Canada was the largest pledging country, with a commitment of \$1.1 billion.

A Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA), Kim has a strong foundation in financial and operational management. She has volunteered extensively in the children's mental health sector providing advice on children, families and the delivery of community services with The Hincks-Dellcrest Centre, North York General Hospital, Sunnybrook Hospital, Ministry of Children & Youth Services, Parents for Children's Mental Health and the Toronto District School Board.

Kim will succeed Gordon Floyd, who is retiring after more than a decade leading CMHO. CMHO represents and supports the providers of child and youth mental health treatment services throughout Ontario. Its core membership consists of more than 85 accredited community-based children's mental health agencies that serve some 150,000 children and their families annually.

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