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Provident Healthcare Partners Advises First Children Services in its Strategic Growth Investment from Station Partners

Provident Healthcare Partners (“Provident”), a leading healthcare investment banking firm, announced it has advised First Children Services (“FCS”) on securing a strategic growth investment from Station Partners (“Station”) to support the company’s continued expansion. FCS is a leading provider of center-, home- and school-based behavioral health and special education services to children and adolescents throughout New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Provident’s deal team was led by Director, Steven Grassa. Porzio Bromberg & Newman P.C. served as legal counsel to FCS, and Troutman Pepper Locke LLP served as legal counsel to Station.

“It has always been First Children’s core mission to create life changing outcomes for children by leveraging the power of quality education and therapeutic services. We believe we have found a like-minded partner, in Station, that will allow us to grow and provide greater access to services for the ever-growing population of children that are in need of it,” said Matt Hess, Chief Executive Officer of FCS. “This is an important milestone for us, and we are incredibly grateful for the guidance and support of the Provident team throughout this process,” commented Matthew Hess, CEO of FCS.

“Station is proud to announce a strategic growth investment in First Children Services, the result of a longstanding relationship with the Hess family. Under the leadership of Matt, Joe, and the entire FCS team, the organization has built an outstanding platform committed to enhancing the lives of children. We are excited to support FCS in its next phase of growth and to help expand its critical service offerings to even more children across the region. Station would like to thank Provident, Troutman, and Porzio for their hard work and efforts throughout the process.” Said Kreamer Rooke, Managing Partner at Station.

“It was a privilege to work with FCS and we’re thrilled that they’ve found the right partner for this next chapter. We’re very excited to see them take their business to the next level as they continue to grow and serve more families in need,” said Steve Grassa, Director at Provident.

About First Children Services

FCS is a family-owned and operated organization that has been serving its communities since 2009. The Company provides a comprehensive continuum of care, taking an integrated approach to special education and therapeutic services. FCS provides services to over 1,000 children and families through a dedicated workforce of over 500 teachers, therapists, paraprofessionals, and support staff. For more information, visit <https://firstchildrenservices.com/>.

About Station Partners

Station Partners is a Morristown, NJ-based private investment firm focused on making control and control-like investments in profitable U.S. businesses. Station Partners was formed to make transformative investments in concert with management teams leading lower middle market businesses with the potential for immediate growth. Employing a proactive, equitable, and long-term, portfolio approach, Station Partners combines a people-first ethos with institutional-level processes. For more information <https://stationpartners.com/>.

About Provident Healthcare Partners

Provident is a leading healthcare investment banking firm specializing in merger and acquisition advisory, strategic planning, and capital formation services for healthcare companies. The firm has a comprehensive knowledge of market sectors and specialties, including adolescent behavioral health. Provident also has unsurpassed experience and insight into the M&A process, which includes

working with a multitude of investors such as private equity firms and strategic consolidators. For additional information, visit www.providenthp.com or follow Provident on [LinkedIn](#).

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received strategic growth investment from



The undersigned initiated and structured this transaction,
conducted the negotiations, and acted as exclusive financial advisor to
First Children Services



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