



CdLS Foundation

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Riverton Resident Tapped to Lead National Nonprofit

Avon, CT (November 14, 2012)— The Board of Directors of the Cornelia de Lange Syndrome (CdLS) Foundation unanimously approved the appointment of Marie Concklin-Malloy as its new executive director, effective November 10, 2012.

Concklin-Malloy, of Riverton, joined the CdLS Foundation as director of external affairs in February 2006. She became assistant executive director in January 2010, and she has been serving as acting executive director since May 2012.

“We are thrilled to have Marie assume the lead role of our Foundation and continue the wonderful work the Foundation provides our families,” said Marc Needlman, President of the Board of Directors. “She’s simply the perfect candidate to lead the Foundation into our fourth decade of service.”

“I’m honored and thrilled to take on this role,” said Concklin-Malloy. “The Foundation is something I truly believe in, and I am so glad to be able to serve in this capacity. My hope is that my experiences through the past seven years will help enable growth and success for the Foundation and those it serves.”

Prior to joining the CdLS Foundation, Concklin-Malloy worked as director of account services for Smith Mumford & Co. in Germantown and Albany, NY, a college English Instructor in Reno, NV, and a reporter for numerous news organizations. Concklin-Malloy is a graduate of the State University of New York, College at Oswego.

For more information about the CdLS Foundation or to make a donation, call the CdLS Foundation at 800-753-2357 or visit www.cdlsusa.org.

About CdLS

Cornelia de Lange Syndrome occurs in about 1 in 10,000 births. An estimated 20,000 people in the U.S. have CdLS but remain undiagnosed and/or without support services. Individuals with CdLS range from mildly to severely affected, though most have similar physical characteristics including small size, hands and feet; thin eyebrows that meet in the middle; long eyelashes; an upturned nose; and thin, downturned lips. Some individuals have limb differences, including missing fingers or arms. Common medical problems include GERD, bowel obstruction, hearing loss, and congenital heart defects. Early diagnosis and intervention is essential to ensure proper management of related medical issues.

About the Foundation

Founded in 1981, the Cornelia de Lange Syndrome Foundation is a national family support organization that exists to ensure early and accurate diagnosis of CdLS, promote research into the causes and manifestations of the syndrome, and help people with a diagnosis of CdLS and their families make informed decisions throughout their lifetime.

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