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CHILD GUIDANCE CENTER WELCOMES NEW DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE

STAMFORD, CT/September 27, 2007 – The Child Guidance Center of Southern Connecticut (CGC) has hired Ashley Laferriere as its new Development Associate. Laferriere will provide a wide range of support to help build the CGC's fund development program and raise awareness for programs and services offered throughout the community.

Prior to the CGC, Laferriere spent one year as the coordinator of the STARS (Speakers, Tutors, Achievement, Retention and Success) program at the Rhode Island office of Women in Community Service, a non-profit organization devoted to reducing the number of youth and women living in poverty by promoting self-reliance and economic independence. Before that, she worked for a year as a mayoral fellow in the mayor's policy office at Providence City Hall. Laferriere holds a bachelor of arts degree in English and political science from Providence College.

The Child Guidance Center of Southern Connecticut is a non-profit mental health resource, serving children and teenagers in Stamford, Greenwich, Darien, and New Canaan, both self referred and through referrals from schools, courts, human service agencies, and physicians. The CGC's clinical staff of psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, and marriage and family therapists work with more than 2,000 children annually, providing culturally competent and sensitive care to families representative of the rich ethnic mix of communities CGC serves. Preventative services are provided to youngsters, parents, and professionals through public education and consultation programs. Incorporated in 1954, the CGC is supported by the Connecticut Department of Children & Families, Connecticut Office of Victim Crime Services

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