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**THE PERRIN FAMILY FOUNDATION AWARDS \$10,000 TO CHILD GUIDANCE CENTER**

STAMFORD, CT/December 3, 2007 – The Child Guidance Center of Southern Connecticut (CGC), a non-profit mental health resource serving children, teenagers and their families, has received a \$10,000 donation from the Perrin Family Foundation. This donation will support the agency’s Child, Adolescent and Family Therapy Program.

The cornerstone of the Child Guidance Center for more than 50 years, the Child, Adolescent and Family Therapy Program utilizes a multidisciplinary team approach to provide a broad range of mental health assessments and treatment services tailored to meet the individual needs of children and families referred under non-emergency circumstances. Treatment services include individual, group, or family therapy, parent guidance and play therapy, or medications as needed.

“The Perrin Family Foundation is proud to offer our continued support to the Child Guidance Center, an organization whose goals are consistent with our own,” said Sheila Perrin, president of the Perrin Family Foundation. “It is gratifying to lend support to a program that helps children and their families get through difficult times with professionalism and compassion.”

Founded in 1994, the mission of the Perrin Family Foundation is to encourage and support equal opportunities for children and young adults to lead safe, productive and creative lives. The Foundation, based in Ridgefield, Connecticut focuses on social change by providing grants to non-profit organizations seeking to make a difference through adult advocacy and youth activism within the state of Connecticut. Additionally, it supports social services by working with agencies that provide: physical and mental health services for children; after-school

programming; parenting and workforce preparation skills; expansion of literacy; creation of artistic experiences; and the promotion of environmental education. For additional information, please view the website at [www.perrinfamilyfoundation.org](http://www.perrinfamilyfoundation.org).

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 2,100 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 and Families, Connecticut Office of Victim Crime Services and United Ways of Greenwich and New Canaan, United Way of Western Connecticut, the Community Fund of Darien as well as generous individual, foundation, and corporate contributions.

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