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Broward Children's Center to Unveil New Nursery on March 13

Who/What:

Broward Children's Center – a nonprofit organization dedicated to serving infants, children and young adults who are developmentally disabled and medically fragile and their families – is proud to unveil a brand-new nursery at its Children's Comprehensive Care Center (CompCare) in Pompano Beach, after over 20 years.

CompCare is a 36-bed, freestanding, pediatric skilled nursing facility that serves children and young adults from birth to 21 years old who have medically complex conditions and are medically stable. It is the only freestanding sub-acute skilled nursing facility in the Southeast region of the United States. The newly renovated 15-bed nursery serves newborns to 8-year-olds.

To celebrate the opening of the new nursery, Broward Children's Center will host a grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony on Thursday, March 13, at 10 a.m. Broward County dignitaries, Broward Children's Center's team, board members, families and representatives from Florida Blue Foundation, Delta Pilots Charitable Fund and Closets By Design of Pompano Beach, who sponsored the transformational project, will be in attendance. Guests will enjoy refreshments and breakfast bites.

The \$200,000 enhancement project was made possible through generous donations from community partners, including the Florida Blue Foundation, Delta Pilots Charitable Fund and Closets By Design of Pompano Beach. The Florida Blue Foundation funded the countertops and ventilators, the Delta Pilots Charitable Fund also underwrote the ventilators, and Closets By Design of Pompano Beach donated the new cabinetry.

The renovation involved updating the 400-square-foot nursery facility to create a more conducive environment for comfort, care and functionality. This included refurbishing interior spaces with all new countertops and cabinetry, including over-the-sink cabinets, bedside nightstands, linen closets and nurses' stations. The full renovation included painting the inside and refurbishing the plumbing and sinks. The project also included the integration of technology solutions to support the nurses and children, including new TVs and computers. Broward Children's Center also received 15 new ventilators to support ventilator-dependent individuals.

CompCare offers short and long-term care to some of the most medically fragile and technologically dependent infants, children, and young adults in the nation. The highly qualified and experienced staff delivers state-of-the-art medical, educational, therapeutic and recreational care to residents based on individual needs. Each child's needs are addressed through individual treatment plans, and care is provided until the child is medically stable and can be moved to a less restrictive environment. The goal upon discharge is to send the child home with a network of care and support services to help maintain the child's health and happiness in their own home environment.

By partnering with clients and their families, Broward Children's Center's CompCare has been able to pioneer the development of community-based medical, educational, social, psychological and recreational programs for those it serves. Its mission is to deliver field-leading programs that promote the greatest quality of life for infants, children and

young adults with special healthcare needs.

The facility features Nursing, Respiratory Therapy, Intravenous Therapy, Ventilator Weaning Program, Assistive Technology, Diaphragmatic Pacing, Pediatrician, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Rehabilitative Services, Social Work, Recreational Activities, Educational Services, Certified Nursing Assistant, Case Management, Nutrition, Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN), Pharmaceutical, Transportation, Cultural Needs, Discharge Preparation, Transition Preparation, Behavioral Therapy, Family Strengthening and Advocacy.

Media is invited to attend and cover the ribbon cutting ceremony and may do so by e-mailing bcckids@dureeandcompany.com.

When:

Thursday, March 13, at 10 a.m.

Where:

Broward Children's Center
Children's Comprehensive Care Center (CompCare)
200 SE 19th Ave.
Pompano Beach, FL 33060

How:

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About Broward Children's Center:

Since 1971, Broward Children's Center, a private, 501(c)(3) nonprofit, has been providing medical, educational, therapeutic, recreational, daily living and advocacy services through its network of care to infants, children and young adults who are developmentally disabled and/or medically fragile. Through a continuum of services designed to meet the needs of each child and their families, Broward Children's Center remains focused on delivering the highest quality care necessary to ensure that each individual is given every opportunity to thrive and succeed. Broward Children's Center is located at 200 SE 19th Ave., Pompano Beach, FL 33060. For more information, please visit www.bcckids.org or contact 954-809-5449 or DavidP@bcckids.org.

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