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COLEMAN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES NAMES CHILDERS NEW RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT CHIEF OFFICER

KENT, Ohio (Feb. 28, 2007) – William E. Childers, age 46, has been named the Chief Officer of Resource Development at Coleman Professional Services located in Kent, Ohio.

Childers will function as the Chief Officer and will guide the operations and fund-raising efforts for Coleman. Coleman Professional Services provides assistance to children, individuals, families and organizations dealing with mental health and behavioral health issues in Portage, Stark, Summit, Trumbull and Medina Counties. Childers was also appointed as the Chief Executive of the Coleman Foundation.

With more than two decades of experience, Childers has been responsible for raising more than \$22 million for healthcare organizations. Including: Robinson Memorial Hospital, Summa Health Systems and the Cleveland Clinic. Childers joined the Coleman Foundation in 2005 as the Director of Foundation Development.

“Bill Childers is the right person to lead Resource Development for us,” said Nelson Burns, CEO of Coleman Professional Services. “The Foundation raised nearly a half-million dollars in 2006 for our programs.”

“Bill’s efforts,” continued Burns, “will help us to expand our services and meet the ever-increasing needs of people in our communities with chronic and persistent mental health issues.”

Coleman Professional Services served over 6,400 persons in 2006. It employs more than 425 in five counties in NE Ohio.

“Our purpose at Coleman Foundation,” said Childers, “is to provide funding for organizations that treat mental illness and addiction recovery such as Coleman Professional Services.”

“People suffering from mental illness are the forgotten people in our communities. We want to raise awareness of their situations and show them that there is real hope for treatment and recovery.”

The Coleman Foundation provides financial assistance to charitable organizations to help ensure that quality mental health, rehabilitation and advocacy services are available to children, adults and their families. Coleman Foundation endowments were able to award more than \$51,000 to Coleman Professional Services and other organizations in 2006.

The Foundation sponsors community education programs to inform people about the causes, prevention and treatment of behavioral health issues. Coleman Foundation also supports 24/7 crisis assistance, adult day care, vocational and residential services for people with disabling mental health problems.

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