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Deaf Services Center, Inc. to Partner with Columbus Speech and Hearing Center to Provide Timely Transition of Vocational Services

Columbus, Ohio, December 5, 2019 – Deaf, DeafBlind, and Hard of Hearing people in central Ohio can enjoy the benefits of two major non-profits coming together to provide Employment Services from one convenient location.

Deaf Services Center, Inc.(DSC) and Columbus Speech and Hearing Center (CSHC) have joined forces to provide career exploration, job application help, community-based assessments, job skills training, job development, coaching and retention to the Deaf, DeafBlind, and Hard of Hearing communities in central Ohio. As of January 1, 2020, the two non-profit centers will be partnering together to provide transition of these services and more to Deaf Services Center at 5830 N High St. in Worthington, OH. This will allow DSC to provide employment services to individuals who are Deaf, DeafBlind, Hard of Hearing and with other disabilities as provided by CSHC.

Since 1971, the Columbus Speech and Hearing Center has provided employment support services through their Careers for People with Disabilities program (originally the Comprehensive Program for the Deaf) and Deaf Services Center began offering employment

services beginning in 2014. Both Centers are CARF accredited. For the past 5 years, both centers have been the primary locations for Deaf, Hard of Hearing and DeafBlind individuals seeking employment.

“Combining our talented team with DSC, will create a more robust program to serve the unique needs of individuals with disabilities. Further, narrowing our {CSHC} focus to our core services of Audiology, Hearing Aids and Speech Therapy, will allow us to better meet the needs of those living with hearing impairment or communication disorders and allow us to expand our geographic service area.” -James O. Dye, CEO, Columbus Speech & Hearing Center

“This is a first step to an outstanding partnership with the Columbus Speech and Hearing Center and will pave the way for future projects and partnerships benefitting the communities we serve.” – John L. Moore, CEO, Deaf Services Center

Established in 1991, Deaf Services Center, Inc. (DSC) empowers those faced with language barriers by promoting access to communication. Our resources help those who have hearing loss or are non-English users to fully access the English language in communicating with others. Headquartered in central Ohio, with satellite offices serving the northwest and southeast areas of the state DSC is the largest provider of services for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind in Ohio. A 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization, DSC works hard to empower the communities we serve. For more information, please visit our website at www.dsc.org.

Since its founding in 1923, Columbus Speech & Hearing Center has provided quality, patient-centered care for tens of thousands of people with communication challenges in the Columbus metropolitan area and beyond. The Center offers many unique services in the areas of speech-language pathology, audiology, vocational rehab and community education, and is proud to offer a warm and welcoming environment to all people. For more information, visit www.columbusspeech.org.