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MHA-NYC Names Jennifer Ashley Board Chair and Promotes Kimberly Williams to CEO

NEW YORK, N.Y. (July 6, 2017) – The Mental Health Association of New York City (MHA-NYC)'s Board of Directors has named Jennifer Ashley, PhD, as its new Board Chair. She replaces Kevin J. Danehy, who was Chair for seven years and who will continue to serve on the Board.

Ms. Ashley has served on the MHA-NYC Board since 2013. She is the Global Director of Human Resources for CBRE, the world's largest commercial real estate services firm, where she oversees their worldwide human resources operations, encompassing more than 75,000 employees.

"Addressing mental health needs in NYC and across the country is critical in today's changing healthcare landscape. MHA-NYC is well positioned to help create positive change in the treatment and perceptions of mental health," said Ms. Ashley. "I'm honored to be a part of shaping the future of MHA-NYC at such a critical time of national growth and innovation."

At the same meeting, the Board promoted Kimberly Williams, current President of MHA-NYC, to President & Chief Executive Officer. Six months into her tenure leading MHA-NYC, the Board recognized Ms. Williams's strategic leadership, effective management and dedication to the needs of the organization by adding CEO to her title.

The Board also approved Seth Feuerstein, M.D., J.D., and Kenneth Maiese, M.D., as new members of the Board of Directors. Dr. Feuerstein is a physician entrepreneur

and executive on the faculty of Yale School of Medicine, specializing in biotechnology, health insurance and health technology and the use of technology to reshape healthcare access, quality and delivery. Dr. Maiese is a physician-scientist, highly cited author and editor, with extensive experience in academic medicine, healthcare delivery, the pharmaceutical industry, and biotechnology, and is the recipient of outstanding investigator and teaching awards with election to America's Top Physicians and The Best of U.S. Physicians.

The Mental Health Association of New York City reaches over one million people in New York City and across the United States, supporting individuals with mental and behavioral health challenges through high-quality innovative programs and state-of-the-art crisis services. MHA-NYC administers national networks of crisis contact centers, including the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, the national Disaster Distress Helpline, the Veterans Crisis Line, the NFL Life Line, and New York City's NYC Well. Their Family Resource Centers, Adolescent Skills Centers, preventative programs, and recovery-oriented services also provide thousands of individuals and families in New York City with the tools and skills necessary to lead healthy and fulfilled lives.

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About the Mental Health Association of New York City (MHA-NYC):

The Mental Health Association of New York City is a non-profit organization with local roots and national reach. For over 50 years, MHA-NYC has been leading the way in mental health through our three-part mission of service, advocacy and education. Our mission is to identify unmet needs and develop culturally sensitive programs to improve the lives of individuals and families impacted by mental illness while promoting the importance of mental health. Among other life-saving work, MHA-NYC administers the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, the national Disaster Distress Helpline, New York City's NYC Well, the Veterans Crisis Line, and the NFL Life Line. www.mhaofnyc.org