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## **Ronald McDonald House Charities of New England Welcome Two New Board Members**

*Shannon Sullivan and Carolin Dorian to bring new growth opportunities for New England non-profit*

**BOSTON (October 24, 2022)** – Ronald McDonald House Charities of New England (RMHCNE), a leading non-profit providing a comprehensive network of resources to families of children receiving treatment for pediatric illnesses, welcomed two new board members this year. The addition of Shannon Sullivan, president & chief operating officer for Women & Infants Hospital, and Carolin Dorian, deputy head of global billing operations and transformation for State Street Bank, offer a wealth of experience and resources to the RMHCNE team. These additions represent a significant investment in RMHCNE’s dedication to their mission, as well as creating a diverse and equitable board.

“The addition of Shannon and Carolin to our board represents the long-term investment we have towards our mission. Their knowledge, resources, and genuine dedication to our cause serve to grow our network of connections and further what we can do to serve families within our care. Their expertise and devotedness will ensure we’re able to expand awareness of our mission and forge relationships and outside engagement for the long-term,” said **Gretchen Manning, CEO of Ronald McDonald House Charities, New England**

The addition of these board members align with RMHCNE’s spirit for growth and commitment to helping drive the non-profits success through their continued resource development, engagement, and mission advancement. Ronald McDonald House Charities of New England strongly believes that the skills and experience that both new members will only serve to expand the network of services and aid that RMHCNE is able to provide families.

Shannon Sullivan was named President & Chief Operating Officer for Women & Infants Hospital in September 2020 and had previously been serving as interim since June. She is known as a tireless advocate for women and their children and is involved in various charities supporting their cause. She previously served as Vice President of Operations for both Kent Hospital and Care New England after serving in various leadership and clinical roles within Care New England since 2003. Shannon was named in the Providence Business News Healthcare Industry Leader of the year following her work during the pandemic.

“It’s an honor and a pleasure to be asked to be part of the governance of an organization I have personally worked with for two decades.” said Sullivan. “I have seen the lives of our patients vastly improve when they stay at Ronald McDonald House and can concentrate on the health of their child. I look forward to helping Ronald McDonald House grow their mission even further in the coming years.”

Carolin Dorian, deputy head of global billing operations and transformation for State Street Bank, is known as a compassionate and service-oriented leader. Dorian brings a wealth of experience to the board, as well as invaluable connections in the Greater Boston area that will aid RMHCNE's current growth capacity. Her authentic and genuine support for RMHCNE's mission to serve families is inspiring and a welcomed addition to the board.

"It is an honor to be part of an amazing organization whose purpose is to support families from around the globe who come to New England to receive life-saving medical care," said Dorian. "As a mother of two daughters, I look forward to working on behalf of RMHCNE to support these families in their most difficult times."

RMHCNE strives to create a framework that fuels inclusion, innovation, and excellence in their collective mission, and in who their mission seeks to aid. They are always excited to grow their board with new members, such as Sullivan and Dorian, and look forward to their contributions and expertise.

## **ABOUT RMHCNE**

Ronald McDonald House Charities of New England, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, governed by a volunteer Board of Directors that serves families from around the United States and the world through our core programs: Ronald McDonald Houses, Ronald McDonald Hospital Family Rooms and Ronald McDonald Care Mobiles. RMHCNE provides a comprehensive and supportive network of resources to families of children receiving treatment for pediatric illnesses at hospitals and other medical facilities in Boston, Providence and throughout the region.

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