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Children's Hospital & Research Center Oakland Names New Chief Medical Officer

January 14, 2010 - Oakland, Calif. - Children's Hospital & Research Center Oakland is excited to announce Carol L. Brosgart, MD, as the hospital's new Chief Medical Officer and Senior Vice President. Dr. Brosgart is a widely regarded public health physician with expertise in the areas of HIV/AIDS, chronic viral hepatitis B and C, seasonal and pandemic influenza and healthcare policy. As Chief Medical Officer at Children's Hospital Oakland, she will ensure that the hospital delivers the highest quality of pediatric medical care available and promote the hospital's commitment of service to the community.

"I can't imagine a more worthwhile endeavor than to work in our community for a children's hospital. Children's Hospital Oakland is a gem in our backyard, providing services to children throughout Northern California who would otherwise have nowhere else to turn for expert medical care," said Dr. Brosgart. "I am proud to be part of a world-renowned pediatric team that works tirelessly to find better treatment and cures so future generations can live healthier lives. Having been a medical student at Children's in the 1970s, it is an honor to come full circle, back to my roots."

Dr. Brosgart has been an active and highly respected member of the Bay Area medical community for more than four decades. She joins Children's Hospital Oakland fresh from a break after retiring from biotech pioneer Gilead Sciences in July 2009. Dr. Brosgart held several positions during her 11-year career at the Foster City biotech firm, including Vice President, Clinical Research and Vice President, Public Health and Policy. She contributed to the development of the world's leading therapies and public health policies for the treatment of HIV/AIDS, chronic hepatitis B, and seasonal and pandemic influenza.

Before her stay at Gilead, Dr. Brosgart spent twelve years as the Medical Director of the East Bay AIDS Center at Alta Bates Medical Center in Berkeley. Under her leadership, the center not only served thousands of patients, but also participated in groundbreaking clinical research with the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and with the pharmaceutical industry, leading to the successful development of major therapies used in the treatment and prevention of complications of HIV/AIDS. Before joining Alta Bates, Dr. Brosgart had been the Medical Director of Alameda County's Central District Health Center in Oakland, where she was one of the first doctors in the United States to treat patients with HIV/AIDS.

“I’m excited to bring someone with Dr. Brosgart’s experience as a physician, researcher and healthcare policy visionary to our hospital. Dr. Brosgart understands how public health policies affect the delivery of healthcare. She is a tremendous advocate for access to quality care for everyone. I look forward to her leadership as we navigate new territories of healthcare reform,” said Bertram Lubin, MD, Children’s Hospital Oakland president and CEO. “With Dr. Brosgart aboard, I’m confident the values and mission of this nearly 100-year-old medical center will prevail and we will care for even more children, in the community and beyond.”

Dr. Brosgart is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley, and the University of California, San Francisco School of Medicine (UCSF). She trained in pediatrics at UCSF and in preventive medicine at the State of California and the University of California, Berkeley School of Public Health Joint program. She is a member of the clinical faculty at UCSF.

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About Children’s Hospital & Research Center Oakland

Children’s Hospital & Research Center Oakland is Northern California’s only freestanding, independent, and not-for-profit pediatric medical center. Children’s is a leader in many pediatric specialties including neonatology, cardiology, neurosurgery and intensive care. The hospital is a designated Level 1 pediatric trauma center and has the largest pediatric critical care facility in the region. Children’s Hospital has 190 licensed beds, 201 hospital-based physicians in 30 specialties, more than 2,600 employees, trains 70+ residents each year and has an annual operating budget of more than \$300 million.

Children’s research arm, Children’s Hospital Oakland Research Institute (CHORI), is internationally renowned for taking state-of-the-art basic and clinical research to the bedside with interventions for treating and preventing human disease. CHORI has 300 staffers, a budget of about \$50 million, and is ranked among the nation’s top 10 research centers in National Institutes of Health funding to children’s hospital research programs. CHORI is a leader in translational research, developing new vaccines for infectious diseases, and discovering new treatment protocols for previously fatal or debilitating conditions including cancer, sickle cell anemia, thalassemia, diabetes, asthma, HIV/AIDS, pediatric obesity, nutritional deficiencies, birth defects, hemophilia and cystic fibrosis. For more information, go to www.childrenshospitaloakland.org