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**Open Arms Children's Health Purchases Little Ears Hearing Center**  
*Little Ears joins audiology services*



**Louisville, Ky. (September 1, 2017)** – Open Arms Children's Health, Home of the Innocents' comprehensive pediatric outpatient health center, has purchased Little Ears Hearing Center.

Little Ears is the region's only facility specializing in childhood hearing loss and related services. The newly merged center offers hearing evaluations for children of all ages, hearing aid and cochlear implant services, early intervention and family support services. Little Ears joins Open Arms' existing comprehensive pediatric services including medical, dental, psychology and psychiatry, as well as occupational, physical and speech therapy.

Paul Robinson, President and CEO of Home of the Innocents, is excited about the union. "We are thrilled to have Little Ears Hearing Center join our pediatric health center. Our mission is to treat the whole child with the highest quality of care, and our team is very passionate about being the premier pediatric audiology service in Louisville."

Susan Veech, Senior Vice President of Open Arms Children's Health, said, "We are proud to have Dr. Shelley Moats, the only board-certified pediatric audiologist in the state of Kentucky, join our team and expand our current hearing services to all children in the community."

Starting today, Open Arms welcomes the staff and patients of Little Ears to their Market Street location. Staff joining Open Arms from Little Ears include Executive Director Shelley Moats, Au.D., PASC; Sara Denley, Au.D; Mary Beth Dean, M.S.Ed., TDHH; Paula Carby, M.Ed., TDHH and Jordan Widner, 4<sup>th</sup> year Au.D. Extern.

"The team at Little Ears Hearing Center is excited for the opportunity to join Open Arms Children's Health. It's a natural fit, as the organizations share a similar mission and values when it comes to caring for children, and we look forward to continuing our excellence in pediatric hearing care in our new

partnership and location,” said Shelley Moats, Au.D., PASC, Director of Audiology at Little Ears Hearing Center at Open Arms.

#### **About Open Arms Children’s Health**

Open Arms Children’s Health is a comprehensive pediatric outpatient health center, providing medical, dental, audiology, psychology, psychiatry, occupational, speech and physical therapies to children from birth to age 18. Operated by Home of the Innocents, Open Arms is located on their main campus at 1100 East Market Street in Louisville.

#### **About Home of the Innocents**

Home of the Innocents is where Louisville and the surrounding region’s vulnerable children and youth find emotional, physical, and intellectual support that can transform their lives. The Home provides a range of important residential, treatment and community-based programs.

Serving more than 8,500 children and their families last year, Home of the Innocent offers a variety of programs. Those include offering a safe haven for at-risk children; pediatric medical care; shelter and education for pregnant and parenting teens; crisis and intervention services; clinical treatment services and therapeutic loving foster and adoption services. The Home also operates a pediatric convalescent center for children who are dependent on technology to sustain life, as well as children who are terminally ill.

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