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For Immediate Release:

## The American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine (AACPDM) Express Gratitude to Angela Harris, for Serving as Chair of the Community Council

The AACPDM Board of Directors wish to thank Angela Harris for her service to the Academy.

**Milwaukee, WI., December 9, 2024 -** The American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine (AACPDM) expresses gratitude to Angela Harris for her service to the Academy as Chair of the Community Council serving as a Board Liaison.

AACPDM President (2023-24), M. Wade Shrader, MD, from Nemours Children's Hospital, Delaware, states, "The Academy values the livedexperience perspectives the Community Council has to offer. Angela has done an incredible job acting as the bridge between our member clinicians and practitioners and the families and individuals we serve. Thank you, Angela, for your years of service to the AACPDM."

Angela is a Clinical Practice Lead for Nursing at a children's treatment center outside of Toronto, Canada, and a mother to a young woman with cerebral palsy. In addition to her work with AACPDM, she supports the Cerebral Palsy and Botox clinics and tirelessly advocates for those with lived experience ensuring their voices and needs are at the forefront of all decision making.

## ABOUT THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL:

The primary purpose of the AACPDM Community Council is to provide the voice of the variety of stakeholders to enhance the mission of the AACPDM with the goal of creating greater opportunities to collaborate for the health, wellness and service towards those with cerebral palsy and other childhood-onset disabilities.



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## **ABOUT AACPDM:**

The American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine (AACPDM) is an organization made up of over 1,100 healthcare professionals dedicated to improving the health and quality of life for individuals with cerebral palsy and other childhoodonset disabilities.

What distinguishes AACPDM is the collaborative approach of its members, who work together to establish a global network aimed at achieving the best possible outcomes for patients. Our membership includes pediatricians, neurologists, surgeons, physiatrists, therapists, nurses, special educators, engineers, and scientists.

The mission of the AACPDM is: Empowering and supporting a collaborative multidisciplinary community that:

- Provides accessible and robust scientific education for health professionals and researchers;
- Fosters innovative research as well as its dissemination and implementation; and
- Advocates for equitable access to evidence based and patient centered care.

Learn more about our Academy by visiting <u>www.aacpdm.org</u>.

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