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US Community Behavioral Acquires Integrated Development Services

PITTSBURGH, PA.—September 8, 2014. US Community Behavioral, LLC (“USCB”), a leading multi-state provider of community-based residential and behavioral services, recently announced it has acquired Integrated Development Services (“IDS”), a highly regarded provider of Autism Spectrum Disorder treatment services based in Wisconsin. The acquisition was made in partnership with IDS’s management team and will provide IDS with support infrastructure and capital to expand its operations throughout various Midwestern geographies.

The Braff Group (TBG) originated the transaction, and served as the exclusive mergers and acquisitions advisor to IDS.

Martin Favis, the CEO of US Community Behavioral, noted, “IDS has an excellent reputation and Dr. Andy Paulson, founder and President of IDS, brings significant experience and expertise to our family of companies. We look forward to providing him and his team with additional resources to help expand the business, both within Wisconsin and to other states. We are delighted to be partnering with Dr. Paulson and his team.”

Andy Paulson, Ph.D., stated, “This transaction is an exciting next step for IDS. We look forward to partnering with one of the national leaders in community-based behavioral health services. IDS’s partnership with USCB will provide resources and capital to continue to enhance the breadth and depth of the exceptional autism intervention services that we provide for children and their families. We look forward to the opportunities ahead, as IDS continues its mission of equipping families with the tools and skills needed to assist children in becoming active learners for life.”

“Over the past 12 months, the acquisition demand for autism spectrum service providers has rocketed,” said Nancy Weisling, Braff Group Managing Director for Behavioral Health and Social Services, who headed up the deal team representing IDS. Ted Jordan, also a Braff Group Managing Director for Behavioral Health, who worked with Ms. Weisling on the transaction added, “With increased awareness of autism spectrum disorders and efforts to improve early detection, the need for services is growing, and given its highly specialized nature, the fastest way to gain the expertise is often to acquire it.”

About US Community Behavioral

US Behavioral Community Behavioral is a leading multi-state provider of community-based residential and behavioral services to adults and children. The company provides a full continuum of services including supported living, licensed group homes, employment services, as well as autism and other therapy-based behavioral services. The Company is recognized as a best-in-class provider of community-based treatment services to individuals with intellectual / developmental disabilities and those with traumatic brain injuries.

About Integrated Development Services

Integrated Development Services (IDS) is a mental health clinic specializing in the identification and treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorders from very early childhood through young adulthood. The Company has been providing Autism Spectrum Disorder services since 1999. For more information on IDS, visit www.ids-wi.com.

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