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Day Kimball Healthcare Doctor Appointed to State of Connecticut Council

Governor Malloy names Dr. Erica Kesselman to the State Advisory Council on Children and Families

PUTNAM, CONN. – Erica Kesselman, MD, FACOG, Day Kimball Medical Group, which is part of the Day Kimball Healthcare (DKH) integrated health system, has been appointed a member of the State Advisory Council on Children and Families by Connecticut Governor Dannel P. Malloy.

The Council, mandated by Connecticut Statute, Sec. 17a-4, consists of 15 members appointed by the Governor. The primary duties of the Council are to "...review policies; recommend programs, legislation or other matters that will improve services for children, youth and families; review and advise the Commissioner (Department of Children and Families Commissioner Joette Katz) on the proposed agency budget; perform public outreach to educate the community regarding policies, duties and programs of the Department and issue any reports it deems necessary to the Governor and the Commissioner."

"About 21 percent of our state's population of some 3.5 million people are 18 years of age or younger," said Dr. Kesselman. "These 735,000 young people and their families have a wide range of needs that require the state's attention. I'm flattered to be named to an organization focused on this segment of our community and welcome the opportunity to add my voice on behalf of young individuals and families across Connecticut."

Dr. Kesselman joined DKH in 2002 and focuses her practice on obstetrics and gynecology (OB/GYN). She is a graduate of Lafayette College in Pennsylvania and earned her medical degree from the Sacker School of Medicine, University of Tel Aviv. Dr. Kesselman is Board Certified and a fellow of the American College of Obstetrics/Gynecology. She is a certified facilitator of the Steward of Children: Darkness to Light program; a founding member and member of advisory council of the Northeast Connecticut Women & Girls Fund; a member of Board of Directors of TEEG; and a member of The NEST (Northeast Connecticut Support Team, a community collaborative to support healthy and safe environments for children and families).

Day Kimball Healthcare is a non-profit, integrated medical services provider comprised of Day Kimball Hospital, healthcare centers in Danielson, Dayville, Plainfield and Putnam, Day Kimball HomeCare, Hospice & Palliative Care of Northeastern CT, Day Kimball HomeMakers, and Day Kimball Medical Group. Its service area includes Northeast Connecticut as well as nearby Massachusetts and Rhode Island communities. Day Kimball Healthcare's comprehensive network offers more than 1,400 employees including nearly 300 associated, highly-skilled physicians, surgeons and specialists. Its website is www.daykimball.org.

