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Jefferson Center Hires Jessica Dunbar as New Vice President of Business Development and Community Engagement

May 21, 2020 Wheat Ridge, CO—Jefferson Center is proud to announce the hire of Jessica Dunbar, who will join the executive team in the newly created role of Vice President of Business Development and Community Engagement.

As Vice President of Business Development and Community Engagement, Dunbar will further position Jefferson Center as a leader in behavioral health with strategic direction for the Center's community engagement and collaboration, funding development, and strategy and implementation of new products and services.

"We are thrilled to have Jessica Dunbar join our team," said Interim CEO, Lenya Robinson. "She is a respected and outstanding healthcare professional who understands the importance of innovation and engagement in the community mental health field. She knows the Denver Metro area well, and will build upon the strategies and programs we've established to make mental health matter and provide accessible care to all."

Ms. Dunbar holds a Master of Science degree in Public Health from the University of Colorado, and has over 17 years of experience working in healthcare. Throughout her career, she has dedicated her time and talent to expanding access to care, especially for vulnerable populations, and implementing transformational innovations in the health care sector to improve community health. Most recently, she served as the Executive Director of Every Child Pediatrics where she led Colorado's largest safety net pediatric practice and expanded primary medical, behavioral, dental and social services across all 16 clinics.

"It is my strong belief that health can be in reach for everyone, regardless of circumstances, when communities and leaders collaborate, take calculated risks to innovate, and call for policy changes," said Dunbar. "Jefferson Center is dedicated to helping people live their best life and supporting the connections between mind, body and emotions, and I look forward to working with the team to further that mission."

About Jefferson Center Jefferson Center is a nonprofit, community-focused mental health care and substance use services provider. We offer hope and support to individuals and families who are struggling with mental health and substance use issues. Serving our community is at the core of everything we do. Jefferson Center is an integral part of the communities it serves, understands the needs of communities and has an extensive network of community partnerships and collaborations. Jefferson Center has a variety of programs for people of all ages, from all walks of life. For more information about Jefferson Center, visit www.jcmh.org.

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