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CEREBRAL PALSY INC. TO BEGIN SEARCH FOR NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Ted Phernetton Departing In March For New Position After More Than 7 Years With CP

Cerebral Palsy Inc., a Green Bay-based non-profit organization that has been serving Northeast Wisconsin for over 55 years, will begin a search for a new executive director in January.

CP's current executive director, Ted Phernetton, will leave to assume the role of director of health and human services for Waupaca County. His last project will be producing and directing the 55th annual CP Telethon, set for March 7-8 on WBAY-TV. It is the country's longest-running local telethon.

"We're extremely thankful for the leadership and service that Ted has provided for our organization over the past seven-plus years," said Kate Hogan on behalf of CP's board of directors. "He's raised the level of our service and commitment to our clients and positioned us well for the future. We wish him well in his new position."

A regional search will be conducted and a special search and interview committee is being formed to carry out the process which begins this month.

"The board of directors at CP is excited to begin our search," Hogan said. "We've got a great organization with a dedicated staff and a very supportive community. We feel the opportunity is an appealing position for someone who wants to make tremendous impact in the lives of our clients here in Northeast Wisconsin. We've accomplished much in our history, but also have some exciting challenges ahead."



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“I have been truly humbled and moved by having the opportunity to serve the community of Northeastern Wisconsin.” Ted Phernetton said. “There is nothing that can compare to witnessing each day, the caring and compassion of an entire community as it helps support others.”

Cerebral Palsy Inc. provides services for the people of Northeast Wisconsin to promote community involvement, inclusion, and to enhance the quality of life of persons affected by temporary or permanent physical, sensory, and/or speech needs or conditions. CP served more than 2,000 families in the past year.

Services provided includes adult and pediatric therapies, assistive technology, aquatic exercise, inclusive child care, adult day services, vocational services, outreach services and service coordination to people of all ages. For more information about Cerebral Palsy, Inc. visit www.cp-center.org or call 920-337-1122.

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