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For Immediate Release:

**The American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental
Medicine (AACPDM) Welcomes Caitlin Cassidy, MD, as new
Director at Large**

*The AACPDM Board of Directors is excited to announce Caitlin
Cassidy, MD, as Director at Large of the Academy.*

Milwaukee, WI., December 9, 2024 - The American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine (AACPDM) is pleased to announce, Caitlin Cassidy, MD, as Director at Large Board Member.

"I am thrilled to welcome Caitlin to her new position as Director at Large. Her commitment to the Academy and her passion for improving the health and well-being of individuals with childhood-onset disabilities make her an ideal candidate for this role," says AACPDM President (2023-24), M. Wade Shrader, MD, from Nemours Children's Hospital, Delaware.

Dr. Caitlin Cassidy is an Associate Professor in the Departments of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation and Paediatrics at Western University in London, Ontario, Canada. She obtained an Honours Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology at McMaster University (2005) followed by her Doctor of Medicine at the University of Ottawa (2009). She established and continues to serve as the Medical Director of the Transitional and Lifelong Care (TLC) Program at Parkwood Institute in London, Ontario in 2015, which employs an interdisciplinary approach to people with CP, Spina Bifida, Developmental Disabilities and other similar conditions of childhood-onset.

Dr. Cassidy became a member of the AACPDM while still in her residency. She was a member of the Lifespan Committee and served as its Chair (2021-2022). During her time on that Committee, she

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played an active role in the founding of the Adult and Aging Special Interest Group and served as its leader until last year.

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 childhood-onset 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.

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