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Ronald McDonald House Charities[®] of Central New York Announces New Board of Directors Officers and Member

SYRACUSE, N.Y. – Ronald McDonald House Charities[®] of Central New York has appointed new executive committee officers to its board of directors for 2018.

Colleen M. Schmidt was named president of the board of directors. She has been a member of the board of directors for eight years and most recently held the position of 1st vice president. Schmidt is the president of Molina Healthcare of New York.

Existing board members **Amy Collins**, general manager at CNY Central Media Group including NBC3, CBS5, CW6 and CNYCentral.com, and **Mark Renquin**, owner/operator, McDonald's, were appointed to new positions on the board's executive committee. Collins was named 1st vice president and Renquin was named 2nd vice president. **Karen Ohliger**, relationship manager at KeyBank, will continue to serve as treasurer. **Alan Peterman**, partner at Barclay Damon LLP, was named secretary.

Additionally, **Colleen Kernan**, director of public relations at Pinckney Hugo Group, has been appointed to the board of directors for 2018.

Other board members include: **Nader H. Atallah, M.D., FAAP, FASE, FACC**, cardiologist and managing member of Pediatric Cardiology Associates LLC and clinical associate professor at SUNY Upstate Medical University and the University of Rochester; Paul Hatty, chief financial officer, Byrne Dairy; **Douglas K. Lattner**, owner/operator, McDonald's; **Mike Madigan**, CPA, senior vice president of finance, XPO Logistics; **Steve Malone**, director of finance, JMA Wireless; **Hon. Anthony J. Paris**, Supreme Court Justice, New York State 5th Judicial District; and **Jonathan V. Riddell, M.D., FRCS**, pediatric urologist at Upstate University Hospital and assistant professor at SUNY Upstate Medical University.

About Ronald McDonald House Charities[®] of Central New York: Ronald McDonald House Charities of CNY operates the CNY Ronald McDonald House 24 hours a day, year-round as a "home away from home" for families whose children are hospitalized with serious illnesses or injuries. For just \$25 a night per family, the House provides the convenience of a comfortable room and warm bed, a home-cooked meal, and support and compassion. The fully accessible Ronald McDonald House allows the organization to help keep even more families with seriously ill children together. In 2017, the nonprofit organization celebrated its 35th anniversary. For more information or to donate, visit www.rmhcny.org.

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