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Boys Town National Research Hospital Recognized for Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Teams

Omaha, Nebr.—The Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Team at Boys Town National Research Hospital has been recognized as a fully approved Cleft Palate Team and Craniofacial Team by the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association (ACPA) and Cleft Palate Foundation (CPF). The Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Clinic at Boys Town National Research Hospital is the only listed team approved by the ACPA-CPF, in the state of Nebraska.

“Children born with cleft palates or craniofacial abnormalities can face serious health complications,” said Edward Kolb, M.D., Director of the Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Clinic at Boys Town National Research Hospital. “Because of the various health and medical needs of these patients, our interdisciplinary team collaborates on the complex services required, offering the best outcomes for the patients we serve.”

The Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Team at Boys Town Hospital is managed by a multi-disciplinary team of specialists that includes maxillofacial surgeons, audiologists, otolaryngologists, neurotologists, speech pathologists, pediatricians, geneticists, pediatric dentists, prosthodonticians, psychologists and orthodontists.

Ongoing support services for patient families include feeding instruction, psychosocial support, and triage for newborns with cleft palate; comprehensive clinical genetics and counseling; links to support organizations; and educational programs and resources.

“We know that our work is important to the lives of our patients and their families,” said Dr. Kolb. “It is an honor to be recognized by the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association.”

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For more information on the Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Team at Boys Town National Research Hospital, visit <http://www.boystownhospital.org/patientServices/Pages/CraniofacialCleftPalateClinic.aspx>.

For more information on the Cleft Palate Foundation, visit <http://cleftline.org>.

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