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### *For Immediate Release*

## **AMERICHoice GIVES \$10,000 GRANT TO NASHVILLE-BASED SEXUAL ASSAULT CENTER TO BRING REQUIRED EDUCATION TO DAVIDSON COUNTY SCHOOLS**

### **Grant Ensures Uninterrupted Sexual Assault Prevention Education to Metro Schools**

NASHVILLE (Apr. 1, 2009) – AmeriChoice by UnitedHealthcare of Tennessee announced that it has given the Nashville-based Sexual Assault Center (SAC) a \$10,000 grant so that the SAC can continue to bring required sexual assault prevention education to students of Davidson County schools.

The SAC has created and delivers a comprehensive sexual assault prevention program to students of all ages across Tennessee and also trains the school-based counselors, who deliver the actual education to the students.

“We are excited to support the children of Davidson County schools in all aspects of their lives,” said Eric Paul, president of AmeriChoice by UnitedHealthcare of Tennessee. “AmeriChoice is committed to delivering the full continuum of medical and behavioral health to its members, and working in partnership with the SAC ensures that Nashville’s kids receive vital preventative education.”

“The gift AmeriChoice has made to the Nashville Community by providing the funds for the Safe@Last Curriculum will not only help children who are in abusive situations, but will actually prevent other children from being abused,” said Mary Grissim, vice president of Education Services for SAC.

The AmeriChoice grant will fund the creation of more than 7,000 activity books required to deliver and support the school-based sexual assault prevention training in many of Davidson County’s Title I schools.

### **About AmeriChoice by UnitedHealthcare**

AmeriChoice by UnitedHealthcare is a Medicaid managed care organization that provides medical and behavioral health care services to TennCare members in East, Middle, and West Tennessee.

AmeriChoice by UnitedHealthcare is a unit of AmeriChoice, a UnitedHealth Group company that serves more than 2.3 million members of state health care programs in 22 states and the District of Columbia. AmeriChoice is a diversified health services company dedicated to helping states, localities, and other government agencies facilitate care for the economically impoverished, the medically underserved and those without the benefit of employer-funded health care coverage. For more information, visit [www.AmeriChoice.com](http://www.AmeriChoice.com).

### **About Sexual Assault Center**

The Sexual Assault Center (SAC), started in 1978, is the only place in Middle Tennessee that specializes in treatment for sexual assault victims. Our counselors are specially certified and trained in these areas and work with more than 700 victims a year; half of these are children. Beyond individual treatment, we have group therapy sessions for children, teens, men, women, and families of survivors. The Center presents Community Workshops, which provide speakers and programs for a wide range of topics; these are appropriate for churches, civic groups, high school and college students, and corporate workplaces,

and reach 2,000 individuals each year. We are a TennCare provider and accept most health insurance policies. We also have grants that cover specific types of abuse victims. No one is turned away for lack of ability to pay. For more information, visit [www.SACenter.org](http://www.SACenter.org).

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