Help For Children Adds Dr. Robin Perry as Consultant in Cayman

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Help For Children (HFC) has named Dr. Robin Perry as the Academic Consultant for HFC's Cayman Islands affiliate (known locally as Hedge Funds Care (HFC) Cayman Islands). Dr. Perry, a Professor in the Department of Social Work at Florida A&M University, joins HFC's roster of experts in the field of child welfare for each HFC location where funds are raised and granted to the most effective local child abuse prevention and treatment programs. He will carry on the work of Dr. Bart Grossman who retired in 2019 as HFC Cayman Islands' Academic Consultant, a role he held for 13 years. During his tenure, Dr. Grossman helped HFC develop a child welfare system for the Cayman Islands. Dr. Grossman will continue to serve as the HFC Academic Consultant for HFC San Francisco and HFC Los Angeles.

"I am very pleased to welcome Dr. Perry as our new HFC Academic Consultant for the Cayman Islands," said Lucinda Hislop, HFC Cayman Islands Affiliate Board Chair and Partner at Deloitte. "His 35 years of experience as a practitioner, academic, and researcher focused on child welfare and family violence issues, coupled with his experience coordinating and collaborating with community, non-profit and government entities, will play an important role in carrying on Dr. Grossman's efforts on behalf of HFC to protect and heal children in the Cayman Islands."

"The consequences of child abuse are broad and lasting, and can impact society as a whole, which makes Help For Children's efforts to ensure the well-being and functioning of children and families at risk of or impacted by child abuse extremely valuable and noteworthy," said Dr. Perry. "I am pleased to join HFC and look forward to working with the Alternative Investment community to enhance, both through funding and consultation, the capacity of agencies and organizations to make a significant impact on protecting, healing, and transforming the lives of children in

the Cayman Islands."

Dr. Perry obtained his PhD from the University of California at Berkeley in 1999, following eight years of practice experience (casework and clinical) in child welfare and domestic violence settings, including serving as a child protective investigator and service worker for four years. Upon receiving his MSW degree from the University of Windsor (Ontario), Dr. Perry developed and implemented a group treatment program for children who were victims and witnesses of domestic violence. He has distinguished himself as a researcher and evaluator, receiving national and international attention throughout his 20+ years of experience.

Dr. Perry has worked collaboratively with Florida Department of Children and Families, the Florida Coalition for Children, and several Community-Based Care agencies throughout Florida on research and evaluation activities, some of which have impacted policy and practice initiatives in Florida. Dr. Perry currently serves on the Florida Child Abuse Death Review (CADR) Committee (special appointment of the Surgeon General, elected as Chair by members); the Statewide Critical Incident Rapid Response Team (CIRRT) Advisory Committee (special appointment by DCF Secretary); The Panhandle Fetal & Infant Mortality Review Project Case Review Team; and the United Way of Florida's Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed (ALICE) Research Advisory Committee and National Consequences Report Advisory Committee.

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