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Little Star Center announces staff for new ABA facility in Bloomington

Bloomington, Ind.—June 12, 2014—Little Star Center, a non-profit therapeutic applied behavior analysis center currently serving children and young adults with autism in Carmel and Lafayette, announces today staff members for its new Bloomington location scheduled to open in June.



Danyl Epperheimer, MS, BCBA, has been promoted to assistant clinical director. She joined Little Star Center this year as a program manager. She assumes responsibilities including oversight and supervision of Little Star Center learners and their therapists, respectively. She is a board certified behavior analyst (BCBA) and earned her Master of Science degree in applied behavior analysis from Southern Illinois University. Prior to joining Little Star, she worked as a behavior consultant in Illinois and Indiana for many years.

Epperheimer will lead the following staff in Bloomington:

- Kaitlin Chappelow, ABA therapist, earned a Bachelor of Science degree in kinesiology-exercise science and is currently pursuing her Masters of ABA through Ball Statue University.
- Lauren Chivers, ABA therapist, worked for the Lovaas Institute for a year until their recent merge with Little Star Center earlier this year. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in interdisciplinary studies from Austin Peay State University in Tennessee.
- Kate Gibson, ABA therapist, earned a Bachelor of Science degree in therapeutic recreation from Ball State University. Prior to joining Little Star Center, she worked at an Indianapolis-area autism center.
- **Daniel Jackey**, center manager, has worked at Little Star Center in Carmel for two years as a therapist. He has a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology from Ball State University.
- Kristinia Love, ABA therapist, has worked for Little Star Center in Carmel for four years.

• Jason Renforth, team leader, has worked for Little Star Center in the Middle Star program for three years. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology from Purdue University.

Little Star Center, with centers currently serving families in Carmel, Lafayette and now Bloomington is Indiana's first applied behavior analysis center founded in 2002 and focused on providing a place where kids with autism learn to live in the world and parents learn they are not alone. Little Star provides in-home and center-based ABA therapy, along with transition to school and community-based programs for children and families. Statistics show autism is one of the most rapidly growing developmental disabilities in the United States with one in 68 children diagnosed each year. To learn more about the non-profit organization visit <u>www.LittleStarCenter.org</u>.

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