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SAGE Dining Services® Launches Employee Training Program to Address Eating Disorder Crisis

Partnership with The Center for Eating Disorders at Sheppard Pratt

Baltimore, Md. – In response to the rise of eating disorders among school-age children, **SAGE Dining Services®** recently launched a new program in partnership with **The Center for Eating Disorders at Sheppard Pratt** to help employees recognize early warning signs in student populations. SAGE, the nation's leading provider of dining services to independent schools, is the first major food service contractor to address the growing problem of eating disorders.

“Eating disorders are a serious concern for our young people,” says Paco Rodriguez, SAGE's president, “and as food service providers, we are on the front lines of addressing this issue. SAGE strongly believes that by increasing awareness among its employees, they will help identify students who may be at risk.”

The Center for Eating Disorders at Sheppard Pratt, located in Towson, MD, is a national leader in evidence-based treatment for patients with complex eating disorders. According to Center Director Dr. Harry Brandt, “Eating disorders are very serious illnesses with dangerous consequences. We applaud SAGE's efforts to raise awareness and provide education to their staff with regard to this issue.”

Through ongoing employee training programs, SAGE will continue to strive to minimize the occurrence of eating disorders and promote a positive and healthful dining environment.

About SAGE Dining Services®

SAGE Dining Services®, established in 1990, is the leading food service provider for independent schools and colleges throughout North America. SAGE's unparalleled expertise in nutrition, sustainability, and culinary trends produces exceptional dining experiences that delight the senses, inspire minds, and foster community. Learn more at sagedining.com.

About the Center for Eating Disorders at Sheppard Pratt

The Center for Eating Disorders at Sheppard Pratt, located in Towson, MD, offers a comprehensive continuum of treatment services for the patient with complex eating disorders. The continuum includes inpatient, day hospital, and intensive outpatient services, as well as ongoing outpatient treatment provided by the Center for Eating Disorders. The program is designed to respond to both the psychiatric and medical aspects of eating disorders, with a comprehensive array of mental health and consultative medical resources. For more information, visit: www.eatingdisorder.org.