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Knoll CEO Retires After Years of Community Service

Derby, CT, January 30, 2014--The Board of Directors of TEAM, Inc announces that Richard Knoll, Chief Executive Officer and President, will retire from the agency effective December 31, 2014 after 34 years of service.

Mr. Knoll was hired in 1980 in accounting and human resources for an agency that struggled to improve community relations and program quality. Prior to TEAM, his accomplishments included municipal administration, grants management, and vocational and educational counseling. Since becoming CEO in 1991, Mr. Knoll championed the work of TEAM throughout the community and surrounding ten town area. Under his guidance and leadership, TEAM's services multiplied; the agency is financially stable, and employs more than 80 professional staff. TEAM operates from seven locations, serving thousands of individuals and families each year with a wide array of services from infant care and early education to senior independence programs.

Richard Knoll commented, "Managing TEAM has been a pleasure and a privilege. It has permitted me to meet and know a wide range of talented and dedicated people. I retire knowing that the agency is in excellent condition and professional hands."

Mr. Knoll is the longest serving president in the agency's forty nine year history. In addition to Mr. Knoll's commitment at TEAM, Inc, he is active with Rotary International, and has annually brought over \$8,000,000 in federal and state funding to Valley agencies and towns to help those in need. Active in the nonprofit sector at both the local and state levels, Knoll also serves on other nonprofit boards dedicated to human services.

Stephane Skibo, Board Chair, commented, "The Board of Directors and I make this announcement with gratitude for all Richard Knoll accomplished at TEAM. He developed TEAM from an agency with serious deficiencies to one that is a model state-wide and a key partner to all other Valley non-profits. We applaud his legacy and know that finding a worthy successor will be our way to honor him and TEAM."

The Board of Directors established an internal search committee to identify the next leader. Richard Knoll will continue to serve as President and CEO to the end of 2014. He will also assist with the search to ensure a successful transition to new leadership.

TEAM Inc. is a private, 501(c)3 non-profit corporation whose mission is to connect individuals and families with solutions that lead to well-being, self-sufficiency and full participation in the community. It aims to achieve its mission by conducting activities that address the needs of economically disadvantaged individuals and families including resource mobilization, education, advocacy and service delivery. TEAM programs serve the communities of Ansonia, Beacon Falls, Bethany, Derby, Milford, Orange, Oxford, Shelton, Seymour and Woodbridge.

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