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Daughters of Sarah Community for Seniors Appoints Dr. Samuel Weisblatt as New President and CEO

ALBANY, NY – [June 24, 2025] – The Board of Directors of Daughters of Sarah Community for Seniors is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Samuel A. Weisblatt, M.D., M.S., as its new President and Chief Executive Officer, following the retirement of longtime leader Mark Koblenz.

Dr. Weisblatt brings a wealth of experience and a deep passion for elder care to the role. A board-certified physician in Hospice and Palliative Medicine as well as Psychiatry, he has spent nearly a decade caring for the elderly in their homes, including skilled nursing facilities and assisted living facilities. His career has been shaped by a profound commitment to preserving dignity, enhancing quality of life, and leading teams in delivering compassionate, individualized care.

Most recently, Dr. Weisblatt served as Lead Hospice Team Physician at VNS Health Hospice Care in New York City. In this role, created specifically for him, he led interdisciplinary care teams, mentored physicians, implemented quality improvement initiatives, and worked closely with donors and leadership on strategic planning. He has also served as a Staff Psychiatrist at Lenox Hill Hospital and completed fellowships at NYU Langone Medical Center in both Hospice & Palliative Medicine and Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry.

“Dr. Weisblatt is not only an accomplished physician but also a visionary leader with the right combination of clinical insight, team-building ability, and heartfelt devotion to those we serve,” said Dr. Paul Mozer, Chair of the CEO Search Committee. “We are confident that he will honor our traditions while guiding the Daughters of Sarah Community toward a bright and impactful future.”

A graduate of the Tel Aviv University Faculty of Medicine, Dr. Weisblatt also holds a master’s degree in physiology from Georgetown University and a bachelor’s degree in business and management from the University of Maryland. He has been recognized nationally for his contributions to hospice medicine, including a recent nomination for the American Association of Hospice and Palliative Medicine’s Distinguished Hospice Physician Award.

“I am deeply honored to join the Daughters of Sarah Community,” said Dr. Weisblatt. “This is a sacred responsibility—to serve elders with respect, empathy, and excellence. I look forward to building on the strong foundation created by Mr. Koblenz and so many others over the years.”

A frequent speaker and educator, Dr. Weisblatt is known for his warm leadership style and his ability to foster cultures of openness, collaboration, and continuous improvement. He also brings nonprofit governance experience, having served as a trustee at the Stanton Street Shul in New York City.

Dr. Weisblatt and his wife Laura live in Glenmont, NY, with their four young children, and are active in the local Jewish community.

Mr. Koblenz, who served as President and CEO of Daughters of Sarah for more than two decades, expressed his enthusiasm about the transition: “It has been an honor to serve this community. Dr. Weisblatt is a compassionate and capable leader whose vision and heart will serve our elders and staff well.”

Daughters of Sarah Community for Seniors is a not-for-profit organization rooted in Jewish values, committed to providing a continuum of compassionate care for older adults of all faiths and backgrounds.

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