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Children's Home Celebrates Perfect Score on Recent Unannounced State Inspection

Covington, KY, December 10, 2012 – Children's Home of Northern Kentucky in Devou Park is celebrating the results of a recent, unannounced state inspection from the Cabinet for Health and Family Services' Office of Inspector General (OIG). Each year, OIG makes an unscheduled visit to any organization licensed by the state of Kentucky to operate as a child-caring facility. CHNK's 2012 re-licensure survey – a 10-hour process that included physical inspection of facilities as well as agency processes, documentation, and employee files – took place in November. The Home received official notice on November 27 that there were zero deficiencies found at its main campus (located at 200 Home Road) and that no plans of correction were necessary.

"This is exciting news for our entire CHNK family," states Rick Wurth, Chief Executive Officer of the Home. "First and foremost, this is great news for the children and families in our care."

Wurth notes that staff members are frequently reminded that the first value of the Home is to place children and families at the center of every activity and every decision. "The review from the Office of Inspector General is simply another testimony that our staff and trustees are committed to providing a safe therapeutic environment as we go about the work of building bridges to better futures for abused, neglected, and at-risk children and families."

CHNK Board of Trustees President Dan Mistler actually spent part of his childhood at the Home. Unable to provide for her family following her husband's death, Mistler's mother brought Dan and his siblings to CHNK for help. "Children's Home of Northern Kentucky kept our family together," shares Mistler. "This recent review confirms that the Home continues to provide excellent care for the boys who live with us."

In addition to the review from the Office of Inspector General, Children's Home of Northern Kentucky also received a perfect score with zero deficiencies from its national accrediting agency, the Council on Accreditation (COA), during its last visit in 2010. The Home receives a visit from its accrediting agency every four years, with the next visit scheduled for 2014.

Founded in 1882, Children's Home of Northern Kentucky operates two campuses – one in Burlington, KY and the other in Covington, KY's Devou Park. CHNK carries out its mission to be a community leader providing children and families opportunity and hope for better lives by offering residential and community-based treatment programs for abused, neglected, and at-

risk children. Last year, the Home impacted over 700 children and families in a total of 33 counties. Children's Home of Northern Kentucky is a member of the Children's Alliance, Kentucky's voice for at-risk children and families.

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