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****MEDIA ALERT****

St.Vincent Opens Children's Learning Center on Monday at 6 a.m.

New Center Will Provide Child Care for Hospital's Associates

WHAT: St.Vincent Children's Choice Learning Center

WHEN: Monday, January 14, 2008
6 a.m.

WHERE: 1801 W. 86th Street
Indianapolis, IN

DETAILS:

On Monday, January 14 at 6 a.m., St.Vincent Indianapolis Hospital will open its new state-of-the-art Children's Choice Learning Center. Parents and hospital staff will be available for interviews as they drop off their children for the grand opening. The hospital will also give away free backpacks to every family that has registered for the Children's Choice Learning Center.

St.Vincent is one of a select number of Indiana employers to offer child care for its employees.

The St.Vincent Children's Choice Learning Center is a product of hospital associate demands to create an onsite facility that provides child care for their children. The Center will include classrooms and a playground for children, and will be operated by Texas-based Children's Choice Learning Centers.

Last year, the St.Vincent Foundation led an ambitious associate fundraising campaign to raise \$500,000 for the \$1 million renovation project. The focus of the campaign was to help associates with life issues, and to directly respond to their specific child care needs.

The 29,400-square-foot Children's Choice Learning Center will have availability for 120 children ages 6 weeks to 5 years. Hospital associates will pay a market competitive rate, and the Center will offer extended hours from 6 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. The Children's Choice Learning Center supports the hospital's recognition as the most preferred hospital and the best place to work in the city of Indianapolis by the Greater Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce and Consumers' Choice.

For more information or to schedule interviews, please page **Johnny Smith at (317) 338-3550 #8225**.

St.Vincent Hospitals and Health Services

Driven by the faith of four Daughters of Charity who arrived in Indianapolis in 1881 with \$34.77 in their pockets, the St.Vincent Hospital mission is to treat the poor and sick by following our Core Values of Service of the Poor, Reverence, Integrity, Wisdom, Creativity and Dedication. Our healthcare ministry has grown to include seven Centers of Excellence: Women's, Children's, Orthopedics, Cardiovascular, Neuroscience, Oncology and Bariatrics. The ageless mission of St.Vincent remains unchanged: to minister to the minds, bodies and spirits of those in need.

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