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Family First Health and Leg Up Farm Announce Partnership to Protect Pediatric Therapy Services for York County Families

YORK, PA (October 13, 2026) — [Family First Health](#) (FFH), a federally qualified health center, and [Leg Up Farm](#), a nonprofit therapy center, both committed to advancing health equity, have announced a formal partnership to strengthen pediatric therapy services for families in York County and the surrounding region. Beginning in January 2027, Family First Health will operate Leg Up Farm's pediatric occupational, physical and speech therapy services as Family First Health at Leg Up Farm.

The partnership brings together both organizations' healthcare experience and resources to sustain these therapeutic services and create opportunities to serve more children in the community.

"Our organizations already share a long-standing commitment to caring for families in the community," said Jennifer Hitz, President and CEO of Leg Up Farm. "We sought a partner who could help us protect access to the specialized therapy services the children we serve depend on. Family First Health understands how much the care our team provides and the relationships they've built mean to families. By combining our experience and resources, we can preserve that care and give more children and families the opportunity to benefit from it."

Through the partnership, Leg Up Farm will maintain its independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit status and continue to own and care for its property and facility. As part of this transition, physical, occupational and speech therapy team members will become Family First Health employees and continue caring for children on-site at Leg Up Farm. The Leg Up Farm team will continue operating mental health therapy, all equine-related services, nutrition counseling, and its summer camp program.

For Family First Health, the partnership adds specialized pediatric therapy to the array of health services it has provided to the community for more than five decades. Both organizations will

work closely together to help families through the transition before Family First Health assumes operation of the therapy services in January.

"Families often need support for more than one part of a child's health and development," said Jenny Englerth, President and CEO of Family First Health. "Adding occupational, speech and physical therapy to our available services gives us another way to meet their needs. Leg Up Farm has built a place and a team that families trust, and we are focused on protecting that so more children in the community have access to the support they need."

For more information, visit www.familyfirsthealth.org and www.legupfarm.org.

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About Family First Health

Founded in 1970, York Health Corporation, now Family First Health, is a non-profit, federally qualified health center dedicated to providing a broad range of primary health, dental care, social services and pharmaceuticals at its sites on South George Street in York, Columbia, Gettysburg, Hanover, Hannah Penn K-8 School, Lebanon, Lewisberry, William Penn Senior High School, Springwood Road Dental Center, and Family First Pharmacy. As a Federally Qualified Health Center, Family First Health offers a reduced fee program for the uninsured and accepts most other health insurances. For more information regarding the programs and services offered through Family First Health, please visit the website at www.familyfirsthealth.org. Se habla español.

About Leg Up Farm

The mission of Leg Up Farm is equipping individuals with unique strengths and challenges to reach their full potential and live purposeful lives. Located in south central Pennsylvania, Leg Up Farm is the only therapy center in the country to provide physical, occupational, and speech therapy, mental health therapy, equine-related services, nutrition counseling, and educational and recreational programming, beneath one roof. To date, more than 4,250 individuals have benefited from Leg Up Farm's life-changing services. For more information regarding the programs and services offered through Leg Up Farm, please visit the website at www.legupfarm.org.