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**Transforming Lives Together This Giving Tuesday:
Triangle Nonprofit Children's Flight of Hope Announces Chiesi USA's Commitment as Inaugural
Champion of Hope Partner**

*Chiesi USA donates \$75,000 to organization's mission in support of
Champion of Hope initiative*

Raleigh, N.C., November 29, 2022 – Celebrate the generosity of Giving Tuesday! Raleigh-based nonprofit Children's Flight of Hope (CFOH) is proud to announce an extended partnership with Chiesi USA, a Cary-based specialty pharmaceutical company, that will help fund the increased demand the organization is striving to meet. As CFOH's inaugural Champion of Hope sponsor, Chiesi has made an annual commitment of \$75,000 through this newly unveiled initiative.

"Chiesi shares our commitment to provide children with access to the specialized care they so desperately need and might otherwise be out of reach," said Pat Nelli, President and CEO of Children's Flight of Hope. "Thanks to Chiesi's generosity and the creation of this new initiative, we have the opportunity to provide more flights than ever before to children facing rare illnesses in North Carolina, nationally, and internationally."

This Champion of Hope partnership extends Chiesi's support beyond the organization's traditional annual fundraising events. This represents the commitment of both sides to build a long-term, meaningful alliance with a common passion to provide hope and healing to children and their families and to ensure distance and the cost of travel are not barriers to care.

Chiesi has been supporting CFOH in varying capacities since 2018, from the nonprofit's annual Hops for Hope event to a Strike-Out initiative with the Durham Bulls, and special funding during the pandemic. The pharmaceutical company's latest donation will increase Children's Flight of Hope's capacity during a time of unprecedented growth.

"Chiesi is committed to investing in our communities to support the improvement of health and wellbeing. Children's Flight of Hope is experiencing significant demand for their services, and we are proud to elevate our partnership with them so they can meet that increased demand and continue to provide access to life-saving care. We have a long-standing partnership with Children's Flight of Hope and it is our honor to be their inaugural Champion of Hope sponsor," said Chiesi CEO, Jon Zwinski. "We are grateful for the opportunity to maximize the great work that Children's Flight of Hope continues to do in the communities where our Chiesi family lives and works, across the country, and around the world."

Children's Flight of Hope anticipates providing over 1,200 flights in 2022, offering families access to specialists, children's hospitals, and cancer centers most qualified to treat rare conditions. With this sustained support from Chiesi and other partners, CFOH plans to welcome a record number of families and expand its mission delivery by 35% in 2023.

To learn more or to donate this Giving Tuesday, please visit www.childrensflightofhope.org.

About Children's Flight of Hope

Children's Flight of Hope (CFOH) believes distance and the cost of travel should never prevent a child from receiving needed care. The children served are facing rare, complex and serious diagnoses that cannot be treated close to home. Children's Flight of Hope provides air travel to specialized medical care for children in need for the duration of the healthcare journey, no matter the distance, no matter the frequency. Children's Flight of Hope was founded in 1991 and has expanded to serve children in 48 states and 32 countries. Children's Flight of Hope is a 501(c)(3) and delivers their mission through the generosity of others.

About Chiesi USA

Chiesi USA, Inc., headquartered in Cary, North Carolina, is a specialty pharmaceutical company focused on commercialization of products for the hospital and target office-based specialties. The Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of family-owned Chiesi Farmaceutici S.p.A, a global R&D-focused pharmaceutical company based in Parma, Italy. In the United States, the Company delivers therapies and enhances care for patients in the areas of acute cardiology, neonatology and cystic fibrosis. Recognized as a Certified B Corporation™, Chiesi is dedicated to improving the health and well-being of its communities through its employee-led corporate social responsibility program, Chiesi in the Community. Innovation, collaboration and impact are the cornerstones of the Chiesi culture. For more information, visit www.chiesiusa.com.

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