



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Reindeer Run & Santa Stroll Scheduled for December 5** *Annual Race Benefits Children's Hospital, Navicent Health Initiatives*

**MACON, GA (Tuesday, November 17, 2015)** – The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Reindeer Run & Santa Stroll – benefiting Children's Hospital, Navicent Health – will take place on Saturday, December 5. Funds from the race will support Children's Hospital, Navicent Health's "Healthy Me" childhood obesity program.

Approximately 1,000 participants will race through downtown Macon in a race that will begin and end at Macon's Tattnell Square Park. There are options available for the entire community, including the 5K run, 3K Junior run for ages 5-16, one mile stroll and brand new this year, a 10K run option. All events begin at 8:30 a.m.

Those wishing to participate may register online at [www.navicenthealth.org/reindeerrun](http://www.navicenthealth.org/reindeerrun) until midnight on Monday, November 30 and registration will also be available on race day.

"The Reindeer Run and Santa Stroll is one of Macon's premier races, an event that people look forward to each year to kick off their holiday season. This event not only promotes physical health and wellness for its participants, but also raises needed funds to assist with the health and wellness of children receiving care at Children's Hospital, Navicent Health," said Cal Hays, Chair of the Navicent Health Foundation.

As a nonprofit hospital, Children's Hospital, Navicent Health relies on donations to provide high quality healthcare to pediatric patients in our region. Past support from the Reindeer Run & Santa Stroll has funded the expansion of the Pediatric and the Neonatal Intensive Care Units, the Healthy Me program and numerous other projects.

For race information or registration, please call 478.633.RUNN or visit [www.navicenthealth.org/reindeerrun](http://www.navicenthealth.org/reindeerrun).

#### **About Navicent Health**

Navicent Health was incorporated on November 17, 1994, as a nonprofit corporation whose primary purpose is to coordinate the Medical Center, Navicent Health and other affiliated entities in their mission of providing a comprehensive continuum of high quality, reasonably priced healthcare services to the region. Navicent Health has 830 beds for medical, surgical, rehabilitation and hospice purposes. The health system includes Medical Center, Navicent Health, a nationally recognized tertiary teaching hospital; Children's Hospital, Navicent Health, the region's only dedicated pediatric hospital; Medical Center of Peach County, Navicent Health, a rural critical access hospital; Rehabilitation Hospital, Navicent Health, the region's oldest and most experienced rehabilitation provider; Pine Pointe Hospice, Navicent Health, which provides palliative and hospice care in homes and in its facility; Carlyle Place, Navicent Health, the area's first continuing care retirement community; Navicent Health Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Navicent Health; as well as diagnostic and home care services.

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