



## **MEDIA ALERT**

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### **Go Bald or Go Home!**

*Oncologists Shave Heads in Support of Childhood Cancer Patients*

**MACON, GA (Monday, September 28, 2015)** – This September – in honor of National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month – Children’s Hospital, Navicent Health (CHNH) will renew its commitment to pediatric cancer patients by hosting its second annual “Go Bald or Go Home” event.

On **Wednesday, September 30 at 11:00 a.m.**, pediatric oncologists and other Navicent Health staff members will shave their heads in support of childhood cancer patients. The shaving ceremony will take place in the CHNH lobby at 888 Pine Street in Macon.

Cancer remains the leading cause of death by disease for children under the age of 15. According to the American Childhood Cancer Organization, approximately 15,780 children between birth and age 19 are diagnosed with cancer each year. CHNH provides inpatient and outpatient care for pediatric oncology patients. Services offered include chemotherapy, central line placement and monitoring, intravenous infusions, blood transfusions and more.

#### **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; Medcen Community Health Foundation, Navicent Health, the philanthropic arm of Navicent Health; as well as diagnostic and home care services.

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