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Florida Cancer Specialists Foundation Names Valerie Vance as Executive Director

Sarasota, FL – July 14, 2015…… The Florida Cancer Specialist Foundation (FCSF), a non-profit 501c3 organization that provides financial assistance for non-medical living expenses to qualified cancer patients, announced the promotion of Valerie Vance to Executive Director. Valerie began volunteering with the FCS Foundation in 2014 and then joined FCSF in December 2014 as Volunteer Program Manager to launch the initiative.

Brad Prechtl, CEO of Florida Cancer Specialists & Research Institute (FCS) and Board Chair of the FCS Foundation, said, "Val has done a remarkable job in building the volunteer program for the Foundation. She is a dedicated leader with a true heart for our mission. I know she will help grow our donor base so that we can serve even more patients in need."

Dr. William Harwin, Founder and President of FCS, added, "Valerie came to the FCS Foundation with an obvious passion for helping cancer patients. The FCS physicians who initially funded the Foundation saw a tremendous need for some of our patients and wanted to make a difference. Valerie has that same desire to make a difference and she inspires us all."

In her role as Executive Director, Valerie is responsible for all aspects of the FCS Foundation, including overall strategy and operations, supervising staff, program development and execution of FCS Foundation mission, vision and goals. She entered non-profit management after 25 years of experience in corporate sales and management with S.C. Johnson & Son, Inc., in Grand Rapids, MI. Prior to joining FCS, she was the Financial Development Coordinator at Prader-Willi Syndrome Association national headquarters in Sarasota, FL. In addition, she has served as a volunteer for Big Brothers Big Sisters, American Red Cross, Alzheimer's Association and American Cancer Society.

"I am honored to be a part of the great team at the Florida Cancer Specialists Foundation," Vance said. "We are able to have an immediate impact on cancer patients in need and it is extremely satisfying to witness the big difference that the Foundation is making in these patients' lives."

The Florida Cancer Specialists Foundation is a 501c3 not-for-profit organization assisting cancer patients in need throughout the state of Florida. Florida Cancer Specialists & Research Institute pays for FCSF staff salaries and overhead expenses, so that nearly 100% of all donations go directly to qualified cancer patients to pay for non-medical living expenses.

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About Florida Cancer Specialists Foundation:
The Florida Cancer Specialists Foundation believes no one should have to choose between paying rent and paying their cancer treatment. The foundation was established to assist qualified individuals who are undergoing treatment for cancer and need assistance paying their essential, non-medical, living expenses such as rent or mortgage, a car payment, auto insurance, and/or utilities so they can focus on their health and recovery. The foundation office is located at 5202 Paylor Lane in Sarasota, Florida. Learn more about the FCS Foundation at: Foundation.FLCancer.com or call 941-677-7181.

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