New Clinic Offering Veterans and Military Families Greater Access to Mental Health Care Officially Launches November 2nd

Cohen Veterans Network Clinic is latest addition to Easterseals’ Military & Veterans Services

SILVER SPRING, MD – Easterseals Serving DC|MD|VA is proud to announce the grand opening of the new Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinic at Easterseals on Thursday, November 2, 2017.

The Cohen Veterans Network (CVN) is a nationwide network of clinics focused exclusively on providing no or low-cost mental health care for veterans, as well as their families and family members of active duty service members. The CVN selected Easterseals for their clinic in the National Capital region because of the organization’s demonstrated track record of creating and delivering services to veterans and the military.

“Today’s event allows us to introduce this wonderful new resource for the veteran and military family community to the leaders of our region, and to the various local organizations we’ll be working with for referrals and community outreach,” said Cohen Clinic Director Dr. Tracy Neal-Walden. “We’re excited to showcase our state-of-the-art facility, and educate the area’s leadership and network of public and private social service organizations about this latest addition to the ecosystem of services Easterseals has created for military families.”

“We are so proud that the CVN selected Easterseals as its National Capital region partner with a $10 million investment, as it validates the performance of our all-encompassing approach to supporting veterans and military families,” added Jon Horowitch, Easterseals Serving DC|MD|VA President and CEO. “As a community-based organization, Easterseals is focused on the full integration of veterans and military families. From early education and respite for the children of wounded warriors, to employment services for veterans and military family members and now the Cohen Clinic, Easterseals applies the same innovative and holistic approaches we’ve employed for almost one hundred years of addressing community needs in the D.C. region.”

Special guests Sergeant Kyle White, U.S. Army, one of 72 living recipients of the Medal of Honor, the nation’s highest military decoration, and Ellyn Dunford, military family advocate and spouse of General Joseph Dunford, 19th Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, were the keynote speakers addressing the dignitaries and officials of the region’s military, government, business and community leadership in attendance.

The network’s founder and namesake, Steven A. Cohen, became involved in veterans mental healthcare on his son’s urging after his service with the U.S. Marine Corps and Reserves, which included a tour in Afghanistan. In 2016, Cohen launched the Cohen Veterans Network with a pledge of $275 million to support the creation of 25 clinics across the nation by the year 2020.

To learn more about the Cohen Clinic or Easterseals’ Military & Veterans Services, please visit www.eseal.org

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