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New *Family Center of Westborough* Will Connect People in Need with Compassionate Care

Located at the Boroughs Jewish Community Center

WESTBOROUGH, MA - August 25, 2011 - Rising to the urgent need for family and individual counseling, elder and adoption services, and other social services in the Westborough area, the Family Center of Westborough is now open and accepting clients. The Center is housed in space donated by the Boroughs JCC, 45 Oak Street, Westborough, MA 01581.

The Family Center staff will provide an array of services to individuals of all ages and to families throughout the life cycle, including:

- Mental health counseling for families and children and adults.
- Family mediation, an approved Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Program of the Probate and Family Court.
- Adoption services to prospective adoptive parents, birth parents, children, and adult adoptees as a licensed adoption agency.
- Court appointed guardianship or conservatorship for elders no longer competent to make decisions on their own behalf.
- Help for elders and their families identify and connect with the vast community of resources in Central Massachusetts and beyond.

"We are grateful to the Boroughs JCC for its generous offer to host our services," said Stephen Slaten, PhD, Family Center of Westborough Executive Director. "We welcome the opportunity to help individuals and families in the Westborough area who are facing life's most difficult challenges. And we are pleased to serve those in need without regard to race, religion or the ability to pay."

Allen Edinberg, President of the Burroughs JCC, said, "The proud tradition of excellence in family and individual counseling at JFS is widely respected throughout Central Massachusetts. Our new partnership adds a wonderful capability to our program offerings for residents of the Boroughs communities."

The Boroughs Jewish Community Center (JCC) exists to enhance the educational, social and cultural lives of its members and their communities. Beyond serving as a gateway to the Jewish Community in the Westborough area, the Boroughs JCC offers programs, events, resources and social services to all members of the communities, regardless of faith or culture.

The Family Center of Westborough is a service of JFS Worcester, one of Central Massachusetts' oldest and most highly respected social services agencies.

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