

## Washburn Center for Children, the state's leading children's community mental health center, announces Tom Steinmetz, CEO, has accepted a new leadership position in the mental health field.

The MN non-profit will continue to build on its vision to increase equitable access to transformative children's mental health care as it searches for a new CEO.

After 26 years of service, including five years as CEO, Tom Steinmetz has announced his transition to Convergence Integrated Care - a new, statewide, Integrated Health Partnership of Community Mental Health Centers created by the Minnesota Association of Community Mental Health Programs.

"My 26 years at Washburn Center have been so fulfilling. I care deeply about Washburn Center's clients, people and mission, and I have learned so much from so many amazing people during my time as an intern, therapist, Program Director, COO and CEO," Tom shared.

"My whole career has been committed to expanding equitable access to quality children's mental health care, and this new role will give me the opportunity to work on improving access, quality and financial sustainability for Minnesota's Community Mental Health Centers on a statewide, systems level."



*"I have been involved in creating the Convergence Integrated Care (CIC) through Washburn Center's role as a founding CIC member, and I look forward to continuing that partnership."*

"Tom has shaped the Washburn Center we know today," said David Donnay, Washburn Center for Children's Board President. "Under Tom's leadership, Washburn has significantly expanded access to culturally-responsive therapeutic services for children and families. Washburn Center's board, leadership team and staff are grateful for Tom's leadership, and we are well-positioned for Washburn Center's next stage of sustainable growth in providing transformative children's mental health care to more children and families in our communities."

Tom's last day will be May 13. The Board President and Executive Committee will lead transition planning, appoint an interim CEO, and oversee the search process for a new permanent CEO.