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Senator Trunzo Obtains Funding for UCP Suffolk

Hauppauge, NY ...New York State Senator Ceasar Trunzo (3rd District) recently obtained \$60,000 in state funding for United Cerebral Palsy of Suffolk. The Senate Member Initiative Grant will be used by UCP Suffolk to support an Electronic Medical Records (EMR) system at its new 25,620 square foot Health Center in Central Islip, opening this fall. The comprehensive Health Center has been specifically designed to offer fully accessible medical, dental, mental health and rehabilitative services for individuals with disabilities.

Stephen H. Friedman, UCP Suffolk 's CEO said, "We are grateful to Senator Trunzo for his continued support of our mission. His commitment to the health of persons with disabilities has had an enormous impact on our ability to serve our community. This funding will enhance the comprehensive services to be offered at our new Health Center which is scheduled to open in September 2008."

"UCP is committed to implementing an electronic medical records (EMR) system to improve the quality of patient care while creating operational efficiencies, reducing potential medication errors, increasing communication among medical providers and caregivers and better tracking the medical histories of our patients. The funding obtained on our behalf by Senator Trunzo enables us to greatly increase UCP's capacity to more effectively fulfill our mission and to improve the quality of life for people with disabilities," concluded Friedman.

About United Cerebral Palsy

UCP Suffolk, based in Hauppauge, NY, assists more than 4,000 children and adults with disabilities and their families annually. For information, visit www.ucp-suffolk.org or call 631-232-0011.

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