Naples, FL – David Lawrence Center, Collier County’s only comprehensive, not-for-profit mental health and substance abuse treatment facility serving children, adults and families, is pleased to announce the appointment of board certified adult, child and adolescent psychiatrist Maribel Rivera, M.D. as a full time Staff Psychiatrist in Children's Medical Services.

Dr. Rivera will be providing services in both Naples and Immokalee thanks to the support given to David Lawrence Center through the Collier County Behavioral Health Initiative which is a collaboration between Florida State University School of Medicine, Healthcare Network of SW Florida and DLC. This initiative is funded by the Naples Children & Education Foundation, founders of the Naples Winter Wine Festival, for the purpose of providing integrated healthcare services to underserved children in Collier County.

Dr. Rivera earned her bachelor's of science in biology and her doctor of medicine from the University of Puerto Rico. She completed her psychiatry residency at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine Montefiore Medical Center in New York, New York, and her child and adolescent psychiatry fellowship at the Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Dr. Rivera has more than seven years of experience working in child, adolescent and adult psychiatry. One of her areas of expertise, interests and passions is both research and clinical practice with the multi problem adolescent suffering pediatric bipolar disorder and trauma.

Dr. Rivera is fluent in English and Spanish.

David Lawrence Center is the Southwest Florida-based, not-for-profit leading provider of behavioral health solutions dedicated to inspiring and creating life-changing wellness for every individual. The Center provides innovative, comprehensive inpatient, outpatient, residential and community based prevention and treatment services for the one in four local children and adults who experience mental health, emotional, psychological and substance
abuse challenges. David Lawrence Center has eight locations in Collier County and touches the lives of more than 30,000 people each year. For more information about David Lawrence Center call 239-455-8500 or visit www.DavidLawrenceCenter.org.

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