

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **The Children's Life Fund Authority Announces New Board of Management**

The Children's Life Fund Authority (CLFA) announces the appointment of its new Board of Management for a term of three (3) years, effective 24th October 2025. The Board of Management will be led by Chairman, Dr. Kevon Dindial.

Dr. Dindial is a consultant Paediatric Haematologist/Oncologist at the Eric Williams Medical Sciences Complex. Dr. Dindial has an MBBS (UWI-STA) and DM Paediatrics (UWI-STA). After completing his paediatric training, Dr. Dindial pursued a three-year clinical fellowship in paediatric haematology/oncology at the Hospital for Sick Children, SickKids, Canada. He is board-certified in paediatric haematology/oncology through the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and serves as the co-lead physician for the SickKids-Caribbean Initiative (SCI) in Trinidad and Tobago. Dr. Dindial also serves as a Council Member of the Medical Board of Trinidad and Tobago (MBTT) and is a member of the National Cancer Control Coordinating Committee (NCCCC).

As Dr. Dindial steps into this new role, he states:

*"It is an honour to serve as the new Chairman of the CLFA's Board of Management. There is no greater purpose than helping children and families during their most difficult moments. As Chairman, I am committed to fulfilling our mandate with compassion and integrity. Given my expertise and the diverse experience of the board, I hope to ensure that children with the most complex medical disorders in Trinidad and Tobago get access to first world treatment thereby giving them the best chance to live their true potential and restoring hope to their families."*

Other members of the Board of Management include: Ms. Stephanie Toolsie, Ms. Afeisha Petal Sampson, Ms. Dianne Baker-Henry, Mr. Matthew Allahar, Dr. Rajindra Parag, and Ms. Nabila Greene.

The new Board will focus on advancing its strategic priorities, strengthening stakeholder partnerships, and ensuring that the organisation can help those who need it most. This dynamic group of leaders brings a wealth of experience, diverse perspectives, and a shared commitment to delivering on the organisation's mission.

In welcoming the new Board of Management, Mrs. Vernessar Cummings, Chief Executive Officer of the CLFA, affirms, *"I am pleased to welcome the newly appointed Board of Management, and I look forward to working*

#### **About the Children's Life Fund Authority**

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*with them. Each member brings a unique blend of expertise and experience. I am confident that, together, we will advance the CLFA's mission with compassion, integrity and purpose."*

The CLFA has benefited from an expanded mandate with the passage of the amendments to the Children's Life Fund Act (assented 11th July 2025). The organisation is well-positioned to expand its impact and continue making a meaningful difference in the lives of those it serves.

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