

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Joslin Diabetes Center and The Barton Center for Diabetes Education Reach Agreement for Barton to Manage Camp Joslin**

OXFORD, Mass., Feb. 25, 2008 – The Barton Center for Diabetes Education, Inc. and the Joslin Diabetes Center announced today that The Barton Center will manage and operate Camp Joslin in Charlton, Mass.

Under the agreement, The Barton Center assumes responsibility for all management and operations of Camp Joslin. Joslin retains ownership of Camp Joslin. Camp Joslin programs include a summer resident camp serving about 350 boys with insulin-dependent diabetes each year, coed wilderness programs, and other coed programs in the winter and spring.

“Since its founding, Camp Joslin has been a life-saving resource for boys with insulin-dependent diabetes and their families,” said Paul O’Brien, Senior Vice President, Joslin Diabetes Center. “We believe The Barton Center, which has an excellent reputation for its leadership in year-round camping and education programs, will do a fantastic job extending the reach of Camp Joslin to more kids and families with diabetes.”

The Barton Center’s year-round camp, retreat and conference center serves 1,500 children and their families annually. Barton’s programs include a summer resident camp for girls, coed day camps, coed adventure camps, family camp, and numerous coed and family programs in the fall, winter and spring.

Barton Executive Director Jonas B. Goldenberg said the agreement provides an opportunity for both camps to grow and to have an even greater impact on children with diabetes and their families.

“We are delighted with the opportunity to manage Camp Joslin, which perfectly complements our mission,” Goldenberg said. “By helping us reach more children, this agreement further fulfills Barton’s mission of improving the lives of children with insulin-dependent diabetes by providing a fun environment that inspires, empowers and motivates children with diabetes, while helping their families to thrive.”

Goldenberg said he expects that managing the two camps will create opportunities to enhance future programming, and to attract more families and children who are living with diabetes.

The two camps, which will remain at their current locations, have much in common and have experience working together. They are located fewer than five miles away from each other, and both camps have a long heritage of camping and outdoor activities, combined with diabetes education and support for children with diabetes. In addition, they have jointly operated a highly successful winter camp program at the Barton location for the past two years.

Dr. Elliott P. Joslin, founder of Joslin Diabetes Center, who was born in Oxford, Mass., helped found both camps and served as medical director at both camps in the early days. Both camps consistently meet or exceed the strict standards of quality set forth by the American Camp Association and other licensing and accreditation organizations.