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Skills Announces New Human Resources Director

State College, PA | September 2018 – Skills announces the appointment of Lorie L. Smith, MHRM, SPHR, SHRM-SCP to the position of HR Director.

In this role Lorie will report directly to CEO, Becky Aungst and will be responsible for supporting Skills in further developing it's talent, culture and HR processes.

Skills CEO, Becky Aungst said,

“We are thrilled to have Lorie join our senior management team. As a highly regarded senior human resources leader; Lorie’s strategic insight, interpersonal skills, and team-focused approach will benefit our continued growth.”

Lorie brings over 21 years of strategic HR Management experience. She holds a master's degree in Human Resource Management and Industrial Relations from Saint Francis University, a bachelor's degree in Human Resource Management from Shippensburg University and an associate's degree in Business Administration from Allegheny College of Maryland. She is a SHRM-SCP (Senior Certified Professional) with the Society of Human Resource Management (SHRM) and a senior certified professional in Human Resources (SPHR) with the Human Resources Certification Institute (HRCI).

In 2017, Lorie was named the "Human Resources Professional of the Year" by the Human Resources Management Association of Blair County. She is a member of the National SHRM organization and of the Human Resource Management Association of Blair County. She is a graduate of the Leadership Blair County (LBC), class of 2012, sponsored by the Blair County Chamber of Commerce and currently serves on the LBC Board. Lorie is involved in numerous other volunteer activities.

“I am pleased to join Skills of Central PA at a time where they are focused on growth and leadership – knowing that a significant personal goal will be their HR strategy improvements and employee growth. I was drawn to Skill’s person – centered culture and forward thinking approach. I am excited to play a part by ensuring all employees have the right direction and training to develop in their positions,” stated Lorie.

About Skills of Central PA:

Skills Mission is creating opportunities, providing choice and support, and promoting recovery to enhance all aspects of people’s lives. Their vision is to redefine the industry through innovation, partnership, and inclusion – making people their priority.

This includes the following guiding principles:

- *A commitment to providing a safe, healthy, and supportive living and working environment.*
- *A commitment to promoting respect and dignity to people, families, employees, and customers.*
- *A commitment to developing and maintaining open and honest communication with people, families, employees and customers.*
- *A commitment to providing the highest quality services in a cost-effective manner.*
- *A commitment to being person-centered.*
- *A commitment to be responsive to the changing needs, requirements, and markets for our services.*

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