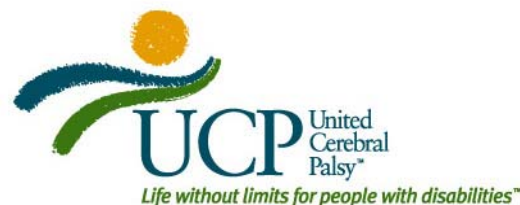


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Washington's Bruce Merlin Fried Named Chairman of United Cerebral Palsy Board

(Washington, DC, July 31) – The United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) Board of Trustees recently elected Bruce Merlin Fried as its Chairman at the organization's 2008 annual meeting. In 2005, Fried was first elected to the Board and served as Secretary. He brings more than 30 years of experience in healthcare law, policy and business to the United Cerebral Palsy Board.

Fried is currently a partner in the health care group at Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP. He counsels and represents health care plans, providers, associations and others regarding federal health care programs and policies such as Medicaid, Medicare, HIPAA and many others. Fried has been recognized as one of the leading health care attorneys in the country by Chambers USA and Expert Guides.

Fried's many professional accomplishments include his position as Director of the Center for Health Plans and Providers and the Director of the Office of Managed Care at the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (the HCFA). Mr. Fried also served as the chief coordinator of the 1992 Clinton/ Gore Campaign's Health Care Advisory Group, and became a member of former President Clinton's Transition Health Policy Team.

In addition to his role on the UCP Board of Trustees, Fried also serves on the boards of HealthSpring, Inc. and Fidelis Senior Care, Inc. He was previously on the boards of SureScripts, Inc., CareScience, Inc. and MedicaLogic, Inc. as well as the National Advisory Board of the Berman Bioethics Institute of Johns Hopkins University (1998- 2007).

"We are honored to have Bruce as Chairman of our Board of Trustees. He has already contributed significantly to the mission of UCP, and will now be able to continue his great work as we focus on visioning and realizing a future without limits for people with disabilities," remarked Stephen Bennett, President and CEO, United Cerebral Palsy.

About United Cerebral Palsy

UCP is one of the nation's leading organizations serving and advocating for the more than 54 million Americans with disabilities. Through its nationwide network, UCP provides services to individuals, families and communities such as job training and placement, physical therapy, early intervention, social and recreation programs, assistive technology, and state and local referrals. For more information, visit www.ucp.org or call (800) 872-5827.

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