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KidsPeace Named 2025 “Culture Leader” by Leading Employee Recognition Firm

SCHNECKSVILLE, PA (December 9, 2025) – KidsPeace announced that it has been named a **“Culture Leader” by Kudos®**, a leading employee recognition, rewards and corporate culture platform provider.

KidsPeace is **one of only eighteen organizations across North America** to receive the **“Culture Leader”** designation from Kudos. According to Kudos’ announcement: *“This year’s winners distinguished themselves through their unwavering commitment to meaningful employee recognition, proving that genuine appreciation is the cornerstone of strong, connected teams. Applications impressed with innovative initiatives ranging from dynamic well-being programs to creative engagement strategies that inspire and empower employees every day.”*



KidsPeace’s recognition platform, *Kudos4KidsPeace*, is made available to all employees (known as “associates”) after orientation. Through the *Kudos4KidsPeace* website and app, associates can **thank and compliment co-workers for their contributions to the care that children and young people receive through KidsPeace’s programs**. They also can **give colleagues “Kudos points”** - which are redeemable for gift cards and branded merchandise through the online platform.

The platform also serves as a resource for corporate news and announcements, recognition of personal milestones like birthdays and work anniversaries, and **a forum to share interests in an interactive way** – such as a popular *“Pet Contest”* in which associates offered photos and stories about their animal companions.

In 2025 KidsPeace saw **90% of associates across all programs activate accounts** on Kudos, and of those more than 60% participate regularly on the platform – posting, distributing points, and commenting on messages from fellow associates. Participation in *Kudos4KidsPeace* is cited **as a factor in the impressive improvement in retention of nurses and other skilled professionals** at the organization during the past year.

KidsPeace President and CEO Michael W. Slack credited KidsPeace’s associate engagement group with finding innovative ways to enhance the platform’s capabilities to meet the specific needs of the organization. But he also noted *Kudos4KidsPeace’s* success is **due in large part to all associates who participate** on the platform.

“At KidsPeace, our dedicated associates are the reason for our success in fulfilling our mission to give hope, help and healing to children, adults and those who love them,” Mr. Slack said. “They are the ones using *Kudos4KidsPeace* to recognize and support their colleagues, so **our designation as a Kudos Culture Leader is in a very real way their achievement** as well.”

[\(Click here for a short video with KidsPeace leaders and associates discussing the value of Kudos4KidsPeace.\)](#)

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About Kudos

Kudos is a leading employee recognition and rewards platform that helps organizations build stronger cultures by celebrating achievements, fostering connection, and driving employee engagement. Kudos has reimagined how organizations approach recognition, internal communications, and employee milestones. By empowering teams with flexible tools like automated celebrations, real-time insights, and powerful rewards budget management, organizations can introduce and scale meaningful recognition programs while reducing administrative effort. Organizations in over 140 countries trust Kudos to create workplace cultures where employees feel seen, valued, and inspired to do their best work.

About KidsPeace

Since 1882, KidsPeace has been building on its expertise to give hope, help and healing to children, adults and those who love them. Through its comprehensive range of residential treatment programs; accredited educational services; unique psychiatric hospital and foster care and community-based programs, KidsPeace is dedicated to helping people connect, transform and overcome their challenges to ensure a stable future, transition to adulthood and gain independence. Since its doors opened, more than 300,000 children have participated in one of the multitude of programs KidsPeace offers.

For additional resources or more information on how to get involved, become a foster parent or make a donation, please visit www.kidspeace.org. Follow us at www.facebook.com/kidspeace.org or on Twitter @KidsPeace.

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