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**Parkinson Foundation of Western PA Appoints
Christine P. Haythorn as Executive Director**

Pittsburgh, PA, October 17, 2019 ... Parkinson Foundation of Western PA (PFWPA) is pleased to announce that its Board of Directors has appointed Christine P. Haythorn as Executive Director for the organization, effective immediately.

“We are very fortunate to have someone of Christine’s calibre and experience to lead our organization. Christine’s financial acumen and knowledge of the nonprofit world will serve us well as we expand the mission and reach of PFWPA in the western PA region,” said David Harnish, Board Co-President.

Haythorn said, “As someone with a family history of Parkinson’s disease, I am passionate about our mission to provide services, support and education for those living with the disease and their families. With the prevalence of the disease increasing, especially in this region, and no known cure, it’s important to raise awareness of Parkinson’s and offer access to the outstanding support programs provided by PFWPA. I look forward to working with the staff and the community to expand service availability and support families affected by Parkinson’s.”

Parkinson Foundation of Western PA, in collaboration with Allegheny Health Network, created the Cahouet Center for Comprehensive Parkinson’s Care. The Center is designed to help patients with the disease and their families more seamlessly access and coordinate the clinical and support services they require. This alliance, along with an array of agency educational and exercise programming, comprise the core of PFWPA activities.

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