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Leadership update – appointment of new CEO, Mike McKessar

Delivering great quality care and support

Voyage Care, the leading provider of specialist care and support, today announces that the Board has appointed Mike McKessar as Chief Executive Officer (CEO). Mike is an experienced and highly regarded leader in the social care sector having been Chief Commercial Officer at HC-One since 2021. Prior to this he was Commercial Director at Sunrise Senior Living and spent nine years at Bupa in various senior roles.

Mike will take up his role in early summer 2024. Jayne Davey, Chief Operating Officer, will become Interim CEO when Andrew Cannon leaves in March, providing stability and continuity through the transition period.

Natalie-Jane Macdonald, Chair of Voyage Care, said: “The Board is delighted that Mike McKessar is joining Voyage Care as CEO. Mike’s values and ethos are fully aligned to our purpose of delivering great quality care and support for people with complex needs. Mike is an exceptional leader with deep industry expertise and a track record for delivering growth alongside high standards of care quality. We share Mike’s excitement for his future contribution to Voyage Care’s continued success, building upon the robust platform Andrew and team have developed over the past eight years.”

Mike will deliver Voyage Care’s strategy, driving growth of its high quality, specialist care and support. He will also lead delivery of its digital investments to put data and insight at the core of the care model. Voyage Care continues to maintain its sector leading quality outcomes and is well positioned for continued growth under Wren House’s long-term, committed ownership.

Mike McKessar, incoming CEO, said: “I am passionate about the social care sector and am delighted to be joining Voyage Care - a sector leading provider of specialist care that delivers unrivalled quality outcomes for the people they support. Their purpose of delivering great care and support and their ambition for growth resonates strongly with me. I look forward to working alongside their team of dedicated and committed colleagues for the next phase of Voyage Care’s journey.”

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About Voyage Care

Voyage Care is the leading provider of specialist person-centred care and support, with 35 years’ experience. It supports over 3,500 people with learning disabilities, autism, brain injuries and other complex needs across the UK and employs over 10,000 colleagues.



In England, 90% of Voyage Care's registered locations are rated as 'Good' or 'Outstanding', or equivalent by our regulators.

Whether it's supporting someone in their own home, to access the community or in a registered care home, Voyage Care provide exceptional person-centred care and support enabling people to live as independently as possible — where, how and with whom they choose.

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