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## PRESS RELEASE

## GAUDENZIA BREAKS GROUND ON NEW ADDICTION TREATMENT FACILITY IN CLAYMONT

CLAYMONT, DELAWARE, October 16, 2018 – Gaudenzia, Inc. held a groundbreaking ceremony for their new Claymont facility, located at 4001 Philadelphia Pike in Claymont, DE, on October 16<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m. This new treatment facility will house two addiction treatment and recovery programs: New Journey, a 16-bed residential treatment program for women and men with severe and persistent mental illness affected by drug/alcohol addiction, and the new Sober Living Housing program, which will provide 10 units of apartment housing to newly sober single women with children ages 10 and younger, who are in recovery from substance abuse.

Numerous government officials, community leaders, funders, and supporters came together to celebrate the groundbreaking. Lieutenant Governor Bethany Hall-Long noted, "We stand united . . . mental health and substance use disorder is a priority." Matt Meyer, New Castle County Executive, said, "We are confronted with the greatest health crisis of our time. This building and the programs coming into it represents all of us coming together and saying that this issue matters."

The new building will allow Gaudenzia to provide a greater range of treatment options to women and men battling substance use disorder, mental illness, and personal care issues, such as poor health and nutrition, within Delaware. To aid clients in their recovery, Gaudenzia will also provide Intensive Outpatient Program services at the Claymont Community Center, thus increasing the likelihood of recovery from substance addiction.

"By providing a continuum of treatment care and supportive housing, we will be able to increase the likelihood of long-term recovery and help foster a complete lifestyle change," said Lynanne Schaeffer Community Affairs Manager.

If you would like more information about this event or Gaudenzia, please contact Lynanne Schaeffer at (302) 547-9662 or via email at lschaeffer@gaudenzia.org.

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Gaudenzia is the largest non-profit provider of drug and alcohol treatment services in Pennsylvania and Maryland. Operating 169 programs throughout 101 facilities in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, and Washington, DC its services include residential, outpatient, intensive outpatient, transitional living, permanent housing, prevention programs for children, and more.