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The Lindsay Leg Club® Foundation announces partnership with AD INTEGRUM Vascular & Wound Care

The Lindsay Leg Club Foundation (LLCF) is delighted to announce an innovative partnership agreement with AD INTEGRUM Vascular & Wound Care. The purpose of this collaborative working partnership is to promote the fact that the two organisations are working together to achieve the same goal; to provide wound care and a better quality of life for individuals with lower limb conditions and leg ulcers.

Collaboration in health care can improve patient experience and outcomes. Data from the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE)[1] estimates that 1.5 percent of the adult population have a leg ulcer. It says to achieve the best possible outcomes for patients and to reduce the economic burden on the NHS, it is essential that they are diagnosed and treated as soon as possible. It is hoped that the partnership between the LLCF and AD INTEGRUM Vascular & Wound Care will raise the profile of vascular lower limb conditions and the options for wound care available and encourage people suffering from these conditions to seek earlier diagnosis and treatment.

The Lindsay Leg Club Foundation was created by Ellie Lindsay OBE FQNI to relieve suffering from leg ulcers and associated conditions. It does this by facilitating the award-winning psychosocial Leg Club model of care that motivates and empowers individuals to take ownership of their care, alleviate their suffering and reduce the stigma attached to their condition.

AD INTEGRUM Vascular & Wound Care (www.vascularwoundcare.com) is a London company, run by Mr Lukla Biasi, PhD, Consultant Vascular and Endovascular Surgeon and Dr Jemell Geraghty, DHRes MSc BN RGN, Tissue Viability Nurse Consultant, who are both experts in the field and have dedicated their careers to improving the lives of patients living with vascular and wound-

related conditions. They set up AD INTEGRUM Vascular & Wound Care believing that patients should have a voice and options about their vascular & wound care, whether that be an initial consultation, a second opinion or a virtual meeting. Mr Biasi and Jemell offer face-to-face or video consultations to assess patients promptly and accurately and provide them with personalised care and state-of-the-art treatment & advice.

Ellie Lindsay OBE, Founder and Lifetime President, LLCF said: “We are delighted to undertake a partnership with AD INTEGRUM Vascular & Wound Care. It has a synergy with the Foundation’s ethos of holism and empowerment and will complement the associations we have already with the vWIN Foundation and the College of Phlebology.”

Notes to editors:

1) Leg ulcers (and other chronic leg problems like lymphoedema) can affect people at any age but are particularly common in people over 60. At present, over 80 per cent of all leg ulcers are treated in the individuals’ own homes by district nurses or by practice nurses in GP surgeries. However, people often find it difficult to adhere to treatment plans, or to maintain the preventive measures needed to avert recurrence of the ulcer. Many leg ulcers consequently reoccur or remain unhealed for many months or even years.

2) The Lindsay Leg Club Foundation exists to promote the national development of Leg Clubs. The Foundation also provides the necessary support and training for nurses to establish Leg Clubs and follow the Foundation’s guidelines, as well as ongoing training in new developments in leg care.

3) The Leg Club is an innovative model of care that has been shown to improve the health and wellbeing of people with chronic leg and foot conditions. Recent findings from Leg Club data analysis have identified that potential savings could be made by healthcare providers in relation to their wound care budget. A Leg Club is a local partnership between practice and community nurses, patients, and the community. Run by a committee of volunteers each Leg Club operates according to strict guidelines of care, monitored by the Lindsay Leg Club Foundation. The Leg Club title, the wording and logo are protected by Registered Trademark in the UK.

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