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## Dr. Samuel Seward Joins the HPS Network as Chief Medical Officer

Oyster Bay, N.Y. – Dr. Samuel Seward has joined the HPS Network as Chief Medical Officer. Dr. Seward has a long history of serving the HPS community. He was a founding member of the HPS Network's Medical Advisory Board and ran a clinic serving people with HPS at Mt. Sinai Medical Center for more than 2 decades.

"We are thrilled to have Dr. Seward joining our staff," said Donna Appell, Founder and Executive Director, "He has been so kind to us for many years. We are blessed to have a Chief Medical Officer with in-depth knowledge of HPS already."

Seward has more than 25 years of experience in healthcare leadership. He was Chair of the MSMW Department of Medicine in the Icahn Mount Sinai Health System and ran a \$100M (USD) and 600+person department. Its mission was to train future generations of physicians; to provide care across socioeconomic and other barriers to access; to improve health outcomes of communities; and to discover therapeutics and improve understanding of human biology

Trained as both a pediatrician and an adult internist, Seward is committed to the rare disease community. Over the years, Seward's clinical practice included children and adults living with Cystic Fibrosis, Spinal Muscular Atrophy (Type 2), Charcot Marie Tooth Disorder, complex congenital heart diseases, Retinitis Pigmentosa, Oculocutaneous Albinism and others.

Seward received his Bachelor of Arts from McGill University in Montreal, Canada, and his MD from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, Texas.

As a previous 'Doctor of the Year' award winner, we are thrilled to congratulate ourselves with Dr. Seward coming onboard.

**The HPS Network's mission** is to provide education and vital support programs to individuals and families with Hermansky-Pudlak Syndrome while striving for improved care and innovative research on our journey to a cure.

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