Registration No. 333-07061

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO.1 TO FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

PEDIATRIX MEDICAL GROUP, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

FLORIDA

65-0271219

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. employer identification no.)

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1301 CONCORD TERRACE
SUNRISE, FLORIDA 33323-2825
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

PEDIATRIX MEDICAL GROUP 1996 QUALIFIED EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN (Full Title of Plan)

BRIAN T. GILLON
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, CORPORATE
DEVELOPMENT, GENERAL COUNSEL AND SECRETARY
PEDIATRIX MEDICAL GROUP, INC.
1301 CONCORD TERRACE, SUNRISE, FLORIDA 33323-2825
(Name and address of agent for service)

(954) 384-0175 (Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

TITLE OF SECURITIES AMOUNT PROPOSED MAXIMUM PROPOSED MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF
TO BE REGISTERED TO BE REGISTERED OFFERING PRICE PER SHARE AGGREGATE OFFERING PRICE REGISTRATION FEE

Common Stock,
par value \$.01 per share(1) 250,000 shares(2) NA NA NA

- (1) This Registration Statement also covers rights to purchase the registrant's Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock that presently are attached to and trade with the Common Stock. Any value attributable to such rights is reflected in the market price of the Common Stock.
- (2) 250,000 shares of Common Stock previously registered under this Registration Statement on Form S-8 have been moved from the employee benefit plan described herein to the registrant's 1996 Non-Qualified Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended and restated, and are registered under the registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 in respect of the registrant's 1996 Non-Qualified Employee Stock Purchase Plan filed concurrently with this Registration Statement.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

At the registrant's annual meeting of shareholders held on May 14, 2002, the registrant's shareholders approved amendments to the registrant's 1996 Qualified Employee Stock Purchase Plan and the registrant's 1996 Non-Qualified Employee Stock Purchase Plan transferring 250,000 shares issuable under the registrant's 1996 Qualified Employee Stock Purchase Plan to the registrant's 1996 Non-Qualified Employee Stock Purchase Plan, reducing the maximum number of shares issuable under the 1996 Qualified Employee Stock Purchase Plan from 500,000 shares to 250,000 shares. This registration statement reflects this reduction in shares issuable under the 1996 Qualified Employee Stock Purchase Plan, includes as an exhibit filed herewith, the 1996 Qualified Employee Stock Purchase Plan as amended and restated, and amends and restates the Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed with the Commission on June 28, 1996, in respect of the 1996 Qualified Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

ITEM 1. PLAN INFORMATION.*

ITEM 2. REGISTRANT INFORMATION AND EMPLOYEE PLAN ANNUAL INFORMATION.*

* Information required by Part I to be contained in the Section 10(a) prospectus is omitted from this Registration Statement in accordance with Rule 428 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the Note to Part I of Form S-8.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE.

The following documents filed by the registrant with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") are hereby incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and shall be deemed to be a part hereof:

- (a) The registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001.
- (b) The registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal period ended March 31, 2002.
- (c) The registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal period ended June 30, 2002.
- (d) The registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal period ended September 30, 2002.
- (e) The description of the registrant's common stock contained in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed by the registrant with the Commission on September 14, 1995, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.
- (f) The description of the rights to purchase the registrant's Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock contained in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed by the registrant with the Commission on April 6, 1999, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

In addition, all documents subsequently filed by the registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, are deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be part hereof from the respective dates of filing of such documents (such documents, and the documents described in paragraphs (a) through (c) above, being hereinafter referred to as "Incorporated Documents").

Any statement contained in an Incorporated Document shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed Incorporated Documents modifies or supersedes such first statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

ITEM 4. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES.

Not applicable.

ITEM 5. INTERESTS OF NAMED EXPERTS AND COUNSEL.

Not applicable.

ITEM 6. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

The Florida Business Corporation Act permits a corporation to indemnify the following persons (using a case-by-case determination) against liabilities arising in the following circumstances:

(i) any person who was or is party to any proceeding by reason of his or her service as a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation; or

(ii) any person serving in such capacity, at the request of the corporation, for another corporation or business entity.

To be indemnified, a person seeking indemnification must have acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation. With respect to any criminal action or proceeding, such person must have had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful. Under Florida law the corporation can indemnify such a person who is a party to any proceeding by or in the right of the corporation against expenses and amounts paid in settlement which were actually and reasonably incurred in connection with the defense or settlement of the proceeding. Such indemnification may not exceed the board of directors' estimated expense of litigating the matter to a conclusion. No indemnification shall be made in respect of any issue as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable unless, and only to the extent that, a court shall determine, in view of all circumstances, that such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which such court shall deem proper.

Under the Florida Business Corporation Act, indemnification for expenses actually and reasonably incurred in the defense of any proceeding is mandatory to the extent that a director, officer, employee or agent is successful in such defense. Florida law also allows a corporation to provide any

other or further indemnification or advancement of expenses to its directors, officers, employees or agents; however such indemnification or advancement of expenses may not extend to situations where a final adjudication establishes that such person's actions, or omissions to act, were material to the cause of action so adjudicated and constitute:

- (i) a criminal violation, unless such person had reasonable cause to believe his conduct was lawful or had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful;
- $\mbox{\ \ (ii)}$ a transaction from which such person derived an improper personal benefit;
- (iii) in the case of a director, a circumstance under which the director would be liable for authorizing an improper distribution; or
- (iv) willful misconduct or conscious disregard for the best interests of the corporation in a proceeding by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor, or in a proceeding by or in the right of a shareholder.

The amended and restated articles of incorporation of the registrant provide that the registrant shall indemnify and may advance expenses to its officers and directors to the fullest extent permitted by the current law. The registrant has secured insurance covering the registrant and its directors and officers and those of its principal subsidiaries and affiliate companies against certain liabilities.

ITEM 7. EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION CLAIMED.

Not applicable.

ITEM 8. EXHIBITS.

See Exhibit Index.

ITEM 9. UNDERTAKINGS.

- (a) The registrant hereby undertakes:
 - (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this Registration Statement or any material change of such information in this Registration Statement.
 - (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
 - (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering;
- (b) The registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to section 13(a) or section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee

benefit plan's annual report pursuant to section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Sunrise, State of Florida on November 14, 2002.

Pediatrix Medical Group, Inc.

By: /s/ Karl B. Wagner

Name: Karl B. Wagner

Title: Chief Financial Officer

POWERS OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose signature to this Post-Effective Amendment to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 appears below hereby appoints Roger J. Medel, M.D., Kristen Bratberg and Karl B. Wagner, and each of them, as his or her attorneys-in-fact, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, to execute in the name and on behalf of such person, individually and in the capacity stated below, and to file, all amendments to this Registration Statement, which amendments may make such changes in and additions to this Post-Effective Amendment to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 as such attorneys-in-fact may deem necessary or appropriate.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Post-Effective Amendment to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the date indicated.

SIGNATURE	TITLE 	DATE
/s/ Roger J. Medel, M.D. Roger J. Medel, M.D.	Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer and Director	November 14, 2002
/s/ Karl B. Wagner 	Chief Financial Officer	November 14, 2002
/s/ Kristen Bratberg Kristen Bratberg	President and Director	November 14, 2002
/s/ Cesar L. Alvarez Cesar L. Alvarez	Director	November 14, 2002
	Director	November , 2002
John K. Carlyle	Director	November , 2002
/s/ M. Douglas Cunningham M. Douglas Cunningham	Director	November 14, 2002
Michael B. Fernandez	Director	November , 2002
/s/ Roger K. Freeman, M.D. Roger K. Freeman, M.D.	Director	November 14, 2002
/s/ Ian M. Ratner, M.D. Ian M. Ratner, M.D.	Director	November 14, 2002

EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT NO.	DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION
4.1	Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (Registration No. 33-95086)).
4.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of the registrant (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2000).
4.3	Articles of Designations of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 31, 1999).
4.4	Rights Agreement dated as of March 31, 1999, between the registrant and BankBoston, N.A., as rights agent, including the form of Articles of Designations of Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock and the form of Rights Certificate (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 31, 1999).
4.5*	Pediatrix Medical Group, Inc. 1996 Qualified Employee Stock Purchase Plan, as amended and restated.
5.1+	Opinion of Greenberg, Traurig, Hoffman, Lipoff, Rosen & Quentel, P.A. as to the legality of the shares being registered.
23.1*	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.
23.2+	Consent of Greenberg, Traurig, Hoffman, Lipoff, Rosen & Quentel, P.A. (contained in its opinion filed as Exhibit 5.1 hereto).
24.1*	Powers of Attorney (included on signature pages hereto).

^{*} Filed herewith. + Previously filed

PEDIATRIX MEDICAL GROUP, INC. 1996 QUALIFIED EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN, As Amended and Restated

ADOPTION; PURPOSE

The Pediatrix Medical Group Employee Qualified Stock Purchase Plan was adopted on April 1, 1996, and has from time to time been amended and restated in accordance with its terms (as so amended and restated, the "Plan").

The purpose of the Plan is to encourage ownership of Common Stock (as defined below) by eligible employees of the Pediatrix Medical Group Inc., a Florida corporation ("Pediatrix") and its subsidiaries (collectively with Pediatrix, the "Company"), thereby enhancing employee interest in the continued success and progress of the Company.

The Plan provides Eligible Employees (as defined below) with the opportunity to invest in Common Stock at a discounted price through payroll deductions.

The Plan is intended to comply with Section 423 of the Code.

DEFINITIONS

For purposes of this Plan, the following terms used in this document have the meanings as defined below:

 $\,$ BUSINESS DAY - a day on which there is trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

CODE - Internal Revenue Code of 1986, including any amendments.

 ${\tt COMMITTEE}$ - Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Pediatrix.

COMMON STOCK - common stock, par value \$.01 per share, of Pediatrix.

COMPENSATION - the amount of a Participant's base wages, overtime, commissions, and cash bonuses, before giving effect to any compensation reductions made in connection with any plans described in Section 401(k) or Section 125 of the Code.

CUSTODIAN - Salomon Smith Barney.

ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEE - an employee of the Company who is eligible to participate in the Plan in accordance with Section 3 hereof.

ENTRY DATE - the first Business Day of each Purchase Period.

EXCHANGE ACT - The Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

FAIR MARKET VALUE - the value of a share of Common Stock on any Business Day shall be the closing price for a share of Common Stock as published in the New York Stock Exchange listing for such day; in the event that such prices are not published, the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock shall be determined by the Committee.

PARTICIPANT - each Eligible Employee who has elected to have amounts deducted from his or her Compensation to participate in the Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

PURCHASE DATE - each September 30 and March 31, or if any such date is not a Business Day, the first Business Day after the end of each Purchase Period on which it is administratively possible to do the purchase.

PURCHASE PERIOD - each of the six-month periods ending on the last day of September and March (except that the initial Purchase Period was April 1, 1996, to September 30, 1996).

PURCHASE PRICE - the lesser of (1) the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the Entry Date, less 15%, and (2) the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the Purchase Date, less 15%.

SEC - Securities and Exchange Commission or any successor agency.

ELIGIBILITY

Employees are eligible to participate in the Plan if, at the beginning of the Purchase Period, the employee is regularly scheduled to work at least 20 hours per week and more than five months per calendar year. No employee shall be eligible to participate in the Plan if, immediately after the Entry Date, the employee(or any other person whose stock would be attributed to the employee

pursuant to Section 424(d) of the Code) would own stock and/or hold options to purchase stock possessing 5% or more of the total combined voting power or value of all classes of stock of Pediatrix or any parent company or subsidiaries thereof

4. PARTICIPATION

Participation in the Plan is voluntary. An eligible employee may elect to participate by completing an enrollment form and returning it to the Human Resources Department. The payroll deductions will start at the beginning of the next Purchase Period. The completed enrollment form must be received by Human Resources no later than 15 days prior to the beginning of a Purchase Period.

Purchase Periods begin on April 1 and October 1 of each year so long as the Plan remains in effect. Once an employee enrolls, he/she will automatically continue participation in subsequent Purchase Periods on the same basis, unless he/she elects to change deduction amounts, withdraw, or becomes ineligible.

COMMON STOCK AVAILABLE UNDER THE PLAN

Subject to any adjustment described in this Section 5, the maximum number of shares of Common Stock which may be purchased under the Plan is 250,000. In the event of any stock split, stock dividend, recapitalization, reorganization, merger, consolidation, combination, exchange of shares, liquidation, spin-off or other similar change in capitalization or event, or any distribution to holders of shares of Common Stock other than a regular cash dividend, the maximum number and class of shares of Common Stock that may be purchased by any Participant during any Purchase Period, and the purchase price per share of Common Stock shall be appropriately adjusted by the Committee. The decision of the Committee regarding any such adjustment shall be final, binding and conclusive. If any such adjustment would result in a fractional security being available under this Plan, such fractional security shall be disregarded. Common Stock sold hereunder may be purchased for Participants in the open market (or an exchange or in negotiated transactions) or may be previously acquired treasury shares, authorized and unissued shares, or any combination of shares purchased in the open market, previously acquired treasury shares or authorized and unissued shares.

PURCHASES OF COMMON STOCK

On the Purchase Date for each Purchase Period, whole and fractional shares will be purchased for each Participant with the accumulated Participant payroll deductions. The Purchase Price is the lesser of 85% of the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the Entry Date, or 85% of the Fair Market

Value of a share of Common Stock on the Purchase Date of the Purchase Period. Additionally, commission charges relating to the purchase of Common Stock under the Plan will be paid by Pediatrix.

7. INVESTING IN THE PLAN

Plan elections for payroll deductions must be in whole percentages or specific dollar amounts. The minimum percent is 1% of Compensation per pay period.

If a Participant elects a specific dollar amount, the minimum is \$25.00 per month. Please see Section 8 hereof for limitations on purchases.

Payroll deductions are accumulated in non-interest bearing accounts until each Purchase Date.

8. LIMITATION ON PURCHASES

The Fair Market Value of Common Stock that a Participant has the right to purchase under the Plan, and any employee stock purchase plan of Pediatrix or any parent company or subsidiaries thereof that qualifies under Section 423 of the Code, cannot exceed \$25,000, less the 15% discount, or \$21,250, in one calendar year. This limitation is based on calculating the Fair Market Value at the beginning of each Purchase Period or at the time such option is granted under any such other employee stock purchase plan. The number of shares of Common Stock that may be purchased by any Eligible Employee during any Purchase Period shall not exceed the whole number of shares determined by dividing \$25,000 by the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the first day of the Purchase Period.

9. CHANGING PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS

A Participant's elected payroll deduction may be increased or decreased effective with the next Purchase Period. The form must be received by Human Resources no later than 15 days prior to the next Purchase Period. Changes will not become effective during a Purchase Period.

Participants may, however, cease deductions during a Purchase Period. If a Participant ceases deductions during a Purchase Period the deductions already taken will be refunded to the Participant as soon as practicable. The Participant would not be eligible to participate again until the second Purchase Period after the one in which he/she withdrew. In order to rejoin the Plan, a new enrollment form must be submitted.

RIGHTS AS A STOCKHOLDER

From the initial Purchase Date of shares of Common Stock, and thereafter (unless and until the Participant sells the Common Stock), the Participant shall have all the rights and privileges of a stockholder of Pediatrix with respect to the shares of Common Stock purchased by the Participant.

Proxy information will be provided for each stockholders meeting, so that each Participant may have his/her full and fractional shares voted according to their instructions.

ACCOUNTS

Salomon Smith Barney has been appointed Custodian for the Plan. The Custodian will maintain an Account for each Participant. As shares of Common Stock are purchased at the end of each Purchase Period, each Participant's full and fractional shares will be held in his/her Account.

Participants will receive an Account Statement, as soon as administratively possible after the end of each calendar quarter, which will include the number of full and fractional shares purchased for the Participant at the end of each Purchase Period, the total number of shares owned by the Participant under the Plan, the cost per share, and the current value of shares held.

12. NOTICE OF DISPOSITION OF COMMON STOCK

Each Participant agrees, by his/her participation in the Plan, to promptly notify Pediatrix in writing of any disposition of any Common Stock purchased under the Plan occurring within two years after the Entry Date of the Purchase Period in which such Common Stock was purchased.

13. NO TRANSFER OF RIGHTS

The rights granted under the Plan may not be assigned or transferred under any circumstances.

14. ADMINISTRATION

The Plan is administered by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Pediatrix. The Committee has the authority to interpret the Plan and to establish rules and regulations for its administration, and the decisions

and interpretations of the Plan by the Committee shall be final, conclusive and binding upon all Participants. The Committee has the authority to delegate the day-to-day administration of the Plan.

15. SELLING STOCK

Although the Plan is intended to provide Participants with an ownership interest in the Company as an investment, Participants may sell shares of Common Stock purchased under the Plan by contacting Salomon Smith Barney at 800-367-4777 or going on-line at wwww.benefitaccess.com. Additionally, Participants will be responsible for a per share commission fee related to the sale of their stock.

# SHARES SOLD:	COMMISSION PER SHARE: **
1 - 1,000	\$0.10
1,001 - 5,000	\$0.08
5,001 +	\$0.06

 $**$ Subject to a \$25.00 minimum, plus a \$5.00 service fee and prevailing SEC fee.

Other fees in addition to those above may also apply:

SERVICE:	FEE:

Wiring \$25.00 per request
Certificate \$15.00 per request
Overnight Delivery \$15.00 per US delivery

Restrictions may apply to the resale of shares of Common Stock by certain officers, and those having similar responsibilities, who are subject to the insider reporting and short-swing profit rules of the SEC.

16. SHAREHOLDER APPROVAL

To the extent necessary to comply with Rule 16b-3 of the Exchange Act or under Section 423 of the Code or other applicable law, the Committee shall obtain approval of the shareholders of Pediatrix of any Plan amendment in such a manner and to such a degree as required thereunder.

17. AMENDMENTS

The Committee of Pediatrix may at any time, or from time to time, amend the Plan in any respect, except that, without approval of the shareholders of Pediatrix, no amendment may be made (a) increasing the number of shares which may be purchased under the Plan (other than provided in Section 5 herein), (b)

materially increasing the benefits accruing to Participants, or (c) materially modifying the requirements as to eligibility for participation in the Plan.

18. TERMINATION OF THE PLAN

The Plan and all rights hereunder shall terminate on the earliest of: (a) the date on which the maximum number of shares of Common Stock available for purchase under the Plan has been purchased; (b) the termination of the Plan by the Compensation Committee of Pediatrix; and (c) the effective date of any consolidation or merger in which Pediatrix is not the surviving entity, any exchange or conversion of outstanding shares of Pediatrix for or into securities of another entity or other consideration, or any complete liquidation of Pediatrix

Any such termination shall not impair any rights that under the Plan shall have vested on or prior to the date of such termination. If at any time the number of shares of Common Stock remaining available for purchase under the Plan is not sufficient to satisfy all then-outstanding purchase rights, the Committee may determine an equitable basis of apportioning available shares of Common Stock among Participants.

Upon termination of the Plan, any payroll deductions that have not been used to purchase Common Stock, certificates for the number of full shares of Common Stock in the Participant's Account and the cash equivalent for any fractional shares in the Participant's Account shall be delivered by the Custodian to the Participant or his/her legal representative as soon as practicable following such termination. Such cash equivalent shall be determined by multiplying the fractional share by the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the day immediately preceding such termination of the Plan.

19. LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, the rights of Participants to purchase Common Stock hereunder shall be subject to compliance with all applicable Federal, state, and foreign laws, rules and regulations and the rules of each stock exchange upon which the Common Stock is from time to time listed.

The Plan and purchase of Common Stock hereunder shall be subject to additional rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the Plan, that may be promulgated from time to time by the Committee regarding purchases and sales of Common Stock.

20. PARTICIPANT RETIREMENT, TERMINATION OR DEATH

In the event of the Participant's retirement, termination of employment or death, any payroll deductions that have not been used to purchase Common Stock will be refunded to the Participant or to the Participant's beneficiary designated on the Participant's enrollment form. Certificates for the number of full shares of Common Stock and the cash equivalent of any fractional shares held in the Participant's Account will be distributed in accordance with the Participant's instructions, or in the case of the Participant's death, in accordance with the instructions of the beneficiary designated on the Participant's enrollment form. Such cash equivalent shall be determined by multiplying the fractional share by the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the day immediately preceding the effective date of such Participant's retirement, termination of employment or death.

In the event that the Participant has not designated a beneficiary on the Participant's enrollment form, any cash and certificates for shares of Common Stock will be delivered to the Participant's estate.

21. EMPLOYMENT

The Plan shall not confer any rights of continued employment upon any employee of the Company.

22. ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS OF RULE 16b-3

Persons subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act shall comply with the applicable provisions of Rule 16b-3 of the Exchange Act or any successor provision. This Plan shall be deemed to contain such additional conditions and restrictions as may be required by Rule 16b-3 to qualify for the maximum exemption from Section 16 of the Exchange Act with respect to Plan transactions. In the event that Rule 16b-3 provides specific requirements for the administrators of plans of this type, the Plan shall only be administered by such body and in such a manner as to comply with the applicable requirements of Rule 16b-3. Unless permitted by Rule 16b-3, no discretion concerning decisions regarding the Plan shall be afforded to any Committee or person that is not "disinterested" as that term is used in Rule 16b-3.

23. MERGER OR OTHER CORPORATE CHANGE

In the event of a merger or other transaction involving Pediatrix in which shares of Common Stock are exchanged for stock, securities, cash or other property, each option under the Plan shall be assumed or an equivalent option shall be substituted by the successor corporation in such transaction, or a parent or subsidiary of such successor corporation. The Board of Directors of Pediatrix may elect, however, in the exercise of its sole discretion and in lieu of such assumption or substitution, to shorten the Purchase Period then in effect by establishing a new purchase date or to cancel the Purchase Period, refund all amounts credited to each Participant's Account and thereafter terminate the Plan. If the Board of Directors of Pediatrix shortens the Purchase Period then in effect, Pediatrix shall make its best efforts to notify each Participant of such change at least 10 business days prior to the new purchase date, and allow Participants to elect to receive the cash credited to their Accounts.

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of our report dated January 31, 2001, except as to the fourth paragraph of Note 9 which is as of February 28, 2002, relating to the financial statements and financial statement schedule of Pediatrix Medical Group, Inc., which appears in Pediatrix Medical Group, Inc.'s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001.

/s/ PriceWaterhouseCoopers LLP

Fort Lauderdale, Florida November 11, 2002