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## News Advisory

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### *Kids Wish Network names area girl 'Hero of the Month'*

**WHAT:** Ashlyn Wilson, a 7-year-old client of Children's Rehabilitation Service, will be recognized as a Kids Wish Network Hero of the Month. Ashlyn, who has severe hearing loss and Down syndrome, is being acknowledged for always being positive and facing difficult personal challenges with a smile. For her efforts, she will receive a special Hero bear, T-shirt, certificate and a \$100 gift card to spend however she chooses.

**WHERE:** Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services (ADRS)  
1400 James I. Harrison, Jr. Parkway East, Suite 100, Tuscaloosa

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 13  
4 p.m.

**WHY:** The Kids Wish Network is a children's charity that has been granting wishes for kids with life threatening illnesses for 20 years. Their "Hero of the Month" program honors children between the ages of 3 and 18 who have faced and overcome difficult circumstances. Hospitals, child care facilities, and service organizations throughout the entire country – including the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services – participate in the program.

ADRS is the state agency whose mission is to enable Alabama's children and adults with disabilities to achieve their maximum potential.

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