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Arapahoe/Douglas Mental Health Network to Host 9th Annual Benefit Luncheon Featuring Jennifer Ayers-Moore

**Jennifer Ayers-Moore to share her family's journey dealing with schizophrenia,
as portrayed in the movie, *The Soloist*.**

(Englewood, Colo., Jan 4, 2010)—Keynote speaker Jennifer Ayers–Moore, sister of Nathaniel Ayers, the talented musician portrayed in the book and film *The Soloist*, will deliver the keynote address at Arapahoe/Douglas Mental Health Network's (ADMHN) 9th Annual Mental Health Benefit Luncheon on May 13th at the Inverness Hotel & Conference Center in Englewood, CO. Proceeds from the event will benefit local low–income, uninsured and underinsured individuals in critical need of mental health and substance abuse treatment services.

Beginning at 11 a.m., Ayers–Moore will greet guests and sign copies of the DVD *The Soloist*. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. Ayers–Moore will share how her brother's schizophrenia changed not only Nathaniel's life, but her family's life as well. She'll share her journey, as well as what she is doing to help reduce stigma and advocate for those with mental illness – especially for those who are artistically inclined.

Individual tickets are \$75. Sponsorships are available by contacting Carolyn Moershel at 303 793 9601. For more information on the event and to purchase tickets, call 303 779 9676 or visit admhn.org.

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About Arapahoe/Douglas Mental Health Network

Arapahoe/Douglas Mental Health Network is a private, nonprofit 501 © (3) corporation providing professional, comprehensive behavioral health care and substance abuse treatment primarily, but not exclusively, serving the communities of Arapahoe and Douglas Counties. With 10 locations throughout the south metro area, we offer programs for adults, seniors, families, couples and children. These services include counseling, psychiatry, crisis services, case management, substance abuse treatment, victim services, an adult acute treatment unit, adult supported and residential housing, services to the criminal justice system, vocational and social rehabilitation, a day treatment therapeutic school and school-based services. Arapahoe/Douglas Mental Health Network has an on-site pharmacy. We offer community education, wellness programs and a Speakers Bureau.

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