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**The Globalworth Foundation and Ronald McDonald Foundation launch a special edition of "NO to cancer in children". Over the next three months the Ronald McDonald Foundation’s Medical Ambulance will visit Warsaw, Wrocław and Kraków. In each of these cities for four days radiologists on board the Medical Ambulance - a unique mobile medical station consisting of a waiting room, reception and two medical rooms equipped with modern ultrasound equipment will examine a total of 910 children aged between 9 months and 6 years.**

During the 3 months the medical ambulance will stop in **Warsaw - Warsaw Trade Tower** (7-10 April), **Wrocław** - **West Gate** (12-15 May), **Cracow** - **Podium Park** (20-23 June)

**The examinations are painless, safe and free of charge.**

The aim of ultrasound examinations is accurate assessment of the condition of internal organs and detection of possible deviations from the norm. The examinations are carried out in accordance with the medical standards specified for this age group by the Polish Ultrasound Society and performed by experienced radiologists. The time required for the examination is about 15 minutes. After the completion of the examination parents receive the result and in cases when needed medical advice.

 *“The formula of the programme means focusing on abdominal ultrasound examinations, for cancerous lesions and congenital defects of the kidneys and urinary tract. Early diagnosis allows rapid implementation of appropriate conservative and/or surgical treatment. This prevents the development of chronic or even end-stage renal failure, requiring dialysis or a kidney transplantation. Over 4 million adults in Poland suffer from chronic kidney disease, but it is diagnosed in only 5% of them. We are glad that thanks to this project we can reach more children with prevention”,* **says prof. Adam Jelonek, Honorary Chairman of the Board of the Ronald McDonald Foundation.**

*“Now, more than ever, each of us should be responsible and take care of ourselves and those around us. Awareness and education of the society about the importance of prevention helps us detect cancer in its early stages. We will always support projects like this one by the Ronald McDonald Foundation, precisely because they bring us closer to our mission of caring for people in our community”* adds **Judyta Sawicka, Board Member of the Globalworth Foundation.**

First children from Warsaw will be examined. Since 2006, the Ronald McDonald’s Foundation ambulance has been regularly examining small Varsovians. Until today more than 3,500 children have been examined in total. This time the Foundation's Ambulance will stand by the Globalworth building - Warsaw Trade Tower, at 51 Chłodna Street.

In order to take part in the ultrasound examination in Warsaw, it is necessary to register your child in advance by calling 790 343 011 on 30-31 March 2022 between 8.00 am and 4.00 pm. Registration is based on the order of applications. Participation in the examination without registration is not possible. The number of places is limited. During the examination, all necessary measures will be taken to ensure conditions of social distance and health safety.

More information on the Special edition of the No to cancer in children program is available on <https://www.frm.org.pl/pl/wydarzenia/specjalna-edycja-badan-nie-nowotworom-u-dzieci>

In Poland, around 1,200-1,300 new cases of cancer in children are diagnosed annually. When a child falls ill, adults are very often scared and helpless. Questions arise as to what could have been done to prevent the disease. Child’s cancer detected at an early stage is curable in most cases. This is why commonly done diagnostics and prevention is one of the basic ways to effectively fight cancer.

An opportunity for cancer prevention is the Ronald McDonald Foundation's programme of free nationwide ultrasound examinations for children carried out on board a specialist mobile clinic, the Medical Ambulance, has been in operation for 16 years.

The Globalworth Foundation has donated EUR 32,000 to the Ronald McDonald Foundation to conduct the tests for the youngest in Warsaw, Wrocław and Kraków.

Other sponsors of the project are: Dussmann Polska, Centrum Medyczne Warszawskiego Uniwersytetu Medycznego, MAN.

**About the Globalworth Foundation.**

The Globalworth Foundation was founded in 2018 by Globalworth, the market leader in office buildings in Romania and  Poland, and is a non-profit entity, being independent of the group’s commercial activities. The mission of the foundation is to develop projects on three main pillars: people, places and technology.  Starting from the idea that the future of any society is represented by the younger generations, the foundation focuses on caring for people, which can be supported by education programs and projects that can improve their access to quality medical services, regardless of the social category to which they belong. Equally important are initiatives aimed at building places and developing urban communities where people can meet, interact and work together to find solutions that help those with special needs. In addition to these, the Globalworth Foundation believes in the positive impact of technology integration projects, such as youth incubators, and supports funding for innovations that, among other things, can bring people together.

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**About Ronald McDonald Foundation**

RMHC Poland/Fundacja Ronalda McDonalda is a non-profit associated with an international charity network Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC). RMHC has existed for over 40 years. It operates in 65 countries in order to fulfill the mission of „Keeping Families Close”.

Established in Poland in 2002, RMHC has been popularizing knowledge and preventive testing in order to fight with cancer in children. The charity operates a nationwide Program of ultrasound screening of kids up to 6 years of age on board of its Care Mobile. The Program is complemented by training for parents and doctors. We support families in the time of a child's sickness, providing facilities and educational events in Family Rooms in Children's Memorial Hospital in Międzylesie and Warsaw Medical University Children's Hospital. Working towards creating “Family-friendly Hospitals”, RMHC Poland furnished Warsaw Medical University Children's Hospital with beds for parents, making the facility the first hospital in Poland where no parent is forced to sleep on the floor. We have also built two Ronald McDonald Houses in Warsaw and Krakow. They serve as free accommodation for families of children treated at oncology and neonatology wards in neighboring pediatric hospitals.

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