



## **UCP of Orange County's *Life Without Limits* Gala to Honor Dr. Jennifer Simpson and Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian**

**Newport Beach, Calif.** (March 6, 2017) – UCP of Orange County (UCP-OC) will hold their annual *Life Without Limits* fundraising gala on Saturday, April 22 at the Balboa Bay Resort in Newport Beach. Dr. Jennifer Simpson and Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian will be honored at this year's black-tie affair benefitting more than 5,639 local children and families affected by cerebral palsy, autism, epilepsy, Down syndrome and developmental delays. Event co-chairs are business and philanthropic leaders Jim Corbett, Kim Letch, Ernst & Young, LLP and Laura Meier, Meier Law Firm.

Dr. Jennifer Simpson is the Individual Impact honoree and will be recognized during a special program at the April 22 gala. Dr. Simpson is a Professor of Ophthalmology at the Gavin Herbert Eye Institute, University of California, Irvine, and a practicing pediatric ophthalmologist whose research includes the study of visual impairment associated with preterm birth. Dr. Simpson has served as a member of UCP-OC's Pediatric Medical Advisory Board since 2010 and has a longstanding collaborative relationship with the organization. Dr. Simpson is a respected leader in both medical and philanthropic communities.

The Community Impact Award recipient is Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian. An approximate \$1 billion nonprofit, Hoag is a regional health care delivery network that treats more than 29,000 inpatients and 305,000 outpatients annually. Hoag has long supported United Cerebral Palsy of OC as they serve families of infants who require highly specialized care through their level III neonatal intensive care unit (NICU). Hoag's relationship with UCP-OC ensures that NICU discharged infants and their families have access to necessary follow up care from infancy through young adulthood.

The *Life Without Limits* gala begins at 5:30 p.m. with cocktail reception and silent auction followed by gourmet dinner, awards ceremony, live auction and dancing to live entertainment.

Individual tickets are \$500 and table and other event sponsorships are available, though the event is half way to being sold out. For more information about the gala or UCP-OC, call 949.333.6401 or visit [www.ucp-oc.org/gala](http://www.ucp-oc.org/gala).

**About UCP of Orange County**

For more than 60 years, UCP of Orange County (UCP-OC) has helped children with a wide range of disabilities to lead a *Life Without Limits* and achieve their full potential and inclusion into society at all levels. UCP-OC provides vital services that support more than 5,639 children and families each year to improve individual well-being from birth through early adulthood. For more information, call (949) 333-6401 or visit [www.ucp-oc.org](http://www.ucp-oc.org).

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