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The Youth Fair's Tadpole the Clown to Visit Holtz Children's Hospital on Mon., March 24th, 10 a.m.

WHAT: The Youth Fair's favorite clown, Tadpole, will bring smiles and laughter to the pediatric patients and families at Holtz Children's Hospital at the University of Miami/Jackson Memorial Medical Center.

WHO: Tadpole the clown is always a crowd favorite and has been a part of The Youth Fair's strolling entertainment for many years. He explores the fairgrounds every day to make new friends. On Monday morning, Tadpole will make a surprise visit to the children of Holtz Children's Hospital, where the youngsters will also receive a special treat.

WHEN: **Monday, March 24, 2014, 10 a.m.**

WHERE: Holtz Children's Hospital, 1611 N.W. 12th Avenue, Miami, FL 33136

The Youth Fair runs daily thru March 30, 2014. The Miami-Dade County Fair & Exposition, known for generations as The Youth Fair, is a state of Florida chartered private, not-for-profit organization that has donated well over \$10 million in scholarships, awards and cash premiums to Miami-Dade County students and is dedicated to supporting education, showcasing youth achievement and promoting South Florida agriculture. For more information, please visit www.fairexpo.com or call (305) 223-7060.

Holtz Children's Hospital at the University of Miami/Jackson Memorial Medical Center is one of the largest children's hospitals in the southeast United States and, in collaboration with the Miami Transplant Institute, is one of three centers in the country that specializes in pediatric multi-organ transplants. Holtz Children's is also home to one of the nation's largest neonatal intensive care units, producing some of the best medical outcomes in the United States. The Schatzi Kassal Project: New Born Neonatal Intensive Care Unit is a regional referral facility with 126 beds, 66 of which compose Florida's largest Level 3 facility to care for the most critically ill infants. In addition, Holtz Children's has more than 100 leading physicians from the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine's globally-admired pediatrics faculty on staff – more than any other hospital in South Florida. For 2013-14, Holtz Children's was ranked among "America's Best Children's Hospitals" by U.S. News & World Report for gastroenterology and GI surgery, nephrology, neonatology, urology, cardiology and heart surgery, and diabetes and endocrinology. For more information visit www.jacksonhealth.org and www.fairexpo.com.