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## **ePACT Signs Exclusive Partnership with National Recreation & Parks Association**

**Vancouver, British Columbia** – ePACT announces its selection as the exclusive emergency network provider of the National Recreation & Parks Association (NRPA). The two organizations will partner to provide NRPA members with access to dedicated ePACT tools, resources and services that help enhance the preparedness and response capabilities of Parks & Recreation agencies supporting families across the United States.

As the leading non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of public parks, recreation and environmental conservation, NRPA has a membership of more than 60,000 parks and recreation professionals and advocates. NRPA produces research, education, and policy initiatives to support its members, and partners with others, such as the federal government, non-profits, and commercial enterprises, to further aid and benefit their members and the communities they serve.

The NRPA and ePACT have partnered to support NRPA members with tools and resources that support greater safety, support, and emergency preparedness for their teams and the families they serve. This includes access to special webinars, use cases, white papers and ePACT's emergency network that streamline data collection processes, reduce risks, and minimize administration, while enhancing safety and support for families participating in rec programs.

ePACT offers a secure emergency network used by recreation organizations across North America. ePACT's HIPAA-compliant online system replaces paper medical forms, waivers, and consents for families attending rec programs, improving the ability to collect, manage, and access critical information needed to support families day-to-day and in a crisis situation. Recreation organizations also use ePACT's communication tools, reaching families via email, text, and voice messaging anytime, anywhere.

"We are thrilled to partner with the NRPA, as we support the same community-focused organizations making a difference in communities," Christine Sommers, CEO & Co-Founder of ePACT explains. "We cannot wait to launch our partner initiatives for NRPA members and provide outstanding resources and tools to the benefit of parks and recreation agencies, and the families they serve."

NRPA and ePACT will officially announce their partnership at the NRPA National Conference in New Orleans running September 26-28, 2017.

### **About National Recreation & Parks Association**

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) is a national not-for-profit organization dedicated to ensuring that all Americans have access to parks and recreation for health, conservation and social equity. Through its network of 60,000 recreation and park professionals and advocates, NRPA encourages the promotion of healthy and active lifestyles, conservation initiatives and equitable access to parks and public space. For more information, visit [www.nrpa.org](http://www.nrpa.org). For digital access to NRPA's flagship publication, Parks & Recreation, visit [www.parksandrecreation.org](http://www.parksandrecreation.org).

**About ePACT Network Ltd.**

ePACT is changing the way the world prepares for life's emergencies. As your emergency network, ePACT better connects and protects your family, organization and community through any crisis. ePACT Network Ltd. is based in North Vancouver, British Columbia. The company was founded by Christine Sommers and Kirsten Koppang Telford in 2012 after speaking with survivors of the 2011 Japan earthquake and tsunami. The ePACT team is made up of emergency management specialists and web technology experts, committed to helping North American communities better manage any crisis.

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