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## PRESS RELEASE

### Over 120 employees at the Bethel Children's Center have already been trained by HUMOR HILFT HEILEN

Interim results of the joint project – sponsored by Kieback&Peter

**Berlin, October 2, 2025 – June 2023 marked the start of a joint three-year project between HUMOR HILFT HEILEN (HHH), the Children's Center at the Evangelical Hospital Bethel (EvKB) in Bielefeld, and building automation experts Kieback&Peter. As part of the joint project, all nursing staff at the children's hospital have the opportunity to take part in a humor workshop run by the foundation. The workshops promote humor as a resource for teams and in dealing with patients, thereby fostering a positive working environment. The Berlin-based family business Kieback&Peter contributes to the safe and comfortable operation of the children's hospital with its building automation systems and also supports the workshops with financial assistance.**

The aim of the project is to train all nursing staff from the outset in the new children's center, which will be built in 2023, with regard to "humor as a resource." Katja Kemnade, humor trainer and member of the team of technical managers for humor workshops at HUMOR HILFT HEILEN, has already trained practical instructors at the Bethel Children's Center and a total of 120 employees of the Children's Center.

Another workshop for trainees was held at the Children's Center in September. "The workshops are a valuable opportunity for our trainees and nursing staff. They gain a new perspective on their work from the ideas presented. The feedback has been consistently positive," reports Phoebe Koch, Head of Nursing at the Children's Center.

"It is very important to us to support workshops that empower nursing professionals at all levels, from trainees to practical instructors. Humor promotes resilience and helps prevent burnout. That's why we also had two of our own trainees participate. The aspiring electronics technicians specializing in automation technology not only gained exciting insights into the special requirements of nursing training, but also

took away practical ideas on resilience and self-care – skills that will help them develop healthily in a dynamic working environment," says Carsten Meyer, sales engineer at Kieback&Peter.

"I am delighted to be involved in such a meaningful project. It's great to see an entire clinic—right from the start—using humor at all levels of care. And the fact that the humor workshops have been approved and financially supported by a local company is a wonderful example of collaborative, regional, and meaningful commitment," says Katja Kemnade happily.

### **Around 300 people are trained in humor**

A total of around 300 people are to be trained in "humor as a resource" at the Children's Center of the Evangelical Hospital Bethel in Bielefeld as part of the joint project. As part of the project, all nursing staff and practical instructors at the Children's Center will have the opportunity to participate in a humor workshop.

### **Two techniques, one goal: humor and building automation help healing**

Christoph Ritzkat, managing partner at Kieback&Peter, explains: "We can help in two ways at the Bethel Children's Center: First, our building automation system ensures that all technical processes—from ventilation, heating, and cooling to air conditioning in patient rooms—work together perfectly. This not only creates safe, energy-efficient, and comfortable operations, but also an environment that promotes the recovery of young patients. Secondly, together with HUMOR HILFT HEILEN, we are strengthening the social climate in nursing care. We are delighted that many nursing professionals have already benefited from the workshops, allowing us to focus equally on technology and people.

Further information about the project: [www.humorhilftheilen.de](http://www.humorhilftheilen.de)

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