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Mary Jones, LCMFT
Mental Health Association of South Central Kansas
555 North Woodlawn Street, Suite 3105
Wichita, KS 67208

Dear Ms. Jones:

It is my pleasure to inform you that Mental Health Association of South Central Kansas has been issued CARF accreditation based on its recent survey. The Three-Year Accreditation applies to the following program(s)/service(s):

Case Management/Services Coordination: Psychosocial Rehabilitation (Adults) Case Management/Services Coordination: Psychosocial Rehabilitation (Children and Adolescents)

Community Housing: Psychosocial Rehabilitation (Adults)

Outpatient Treatment: Mental Health (Adults)

Outpatient Treatment: Mental Health (Children and Adolescents)

Community Employment Services: Employment Supports Community Employment Services: Job Development

This accreditation will extend through September 30, 2023. This achievement is an indication of your organization's dedication and commitment to improving the quality of the lives of the persons served. Services, personnel, and documentation clearly indicate an established pattern of conformance to standards.

The accreditation report is intended to support a continuation of the quality improvement of your organization's program(s)/service(s). It contains comments on your organization's strengths as well as any consultation and recommendations. A Quality Improvement Plan (QIP) demonstrating your organization's efforts to implement the survey recommendation(s) must be submitted within the next 90 days to retain accreditation. The QIP form is posted on Customer Connect (customerconnect.carf.org), CARF's secure, dedicated website for accredited organizations and organizations seeking accreditation. Please log on to Customer Connect and follow the guidelines contained in the QIP form.

Your organization should take pride in achieving this high level of accreditation. CARF will recognize this accomplishment in its listing of organizations with accreditation and encourages your organization to make its accreditation known throughout the community. Communication of the accreditation to your referral and funding sources, the media, and local and federal government officials can promote and distinguish your organization. Enclosed are some materials that will help you publicize this achievement.

Your organization's complimentary accreditation certificate will be sent separately. You may use the enclosed form to order additional certificates.

If you have any questions regarding your organization's accreditation or the QIP, you are encouraged to seek support from Nancy Bradley by email at nbradley@carf.org or telephone at (888) 281-6531, extension 7145.

CARF international Headquarters 6951 E. Southpoint Road Tucson, AZ 85756-9407, USA CARF encourages your organization to continue fully and productively using the CARF standards as part of its ongoing commitment to accreditation. CARF commends your organization's commitment and consistent efforts to improve the quality of its program(s)/service(s) and looks forward to working with your organization in its ongoing pursuit of excellence.

Sincerely,

Brian J. Boon, Ph.D. President/CEO

Enclosures

Congratulations on your newly achieved accreditation!

Attaining and maintaining CARF-accredited status requires a significant effort, strong teamwork, and a commitment at all levels of your organization to providing quality services and enhancing the lives of the people you serve. Your organization deserves to be proud of this achievement, and CARF provides many tools to help you promote your accredited status and make the most of your investment in accreditation.

We know that you will want to share this important achievement with those you serve.

Enclosed is a complimentary logo decal to help encourage persons served to ask about the benefits of accreditation. Display your commitment to quality and enhancing people's lives by putting these removable decals on your office doors and windows. Additionally, we have enclosed an accreditation table sign. Consider displaying this sign in your reception area or on exhibit tables while at conferences to identify that your organization has CARF-accredited programs.

Additional decals and table signs can be purchased through our online stores: <a href="https://www.carf.org/catalog.gov/www.carf.org/www.carf.org/catalog.gov/www.carf.org/ww

To help you get started in promoting your accredited status, please refer to the *Guide to Promoting Your Accreditation* available on our website at: http://www.carf.org/Resources/PromotingYourAccreditation/. This guide provides resources and information to help you explain and promote your accreditation and create partnerships with community leaders, healthcare providers, schools, and others. Additional tools on the webpage include:

- A basic introduction to marketing, for organizations getting started with developing a marketing plan, along with detailed information on how to develop and issue a news release to announce your accreditation.
- Guidelines on how to properly cite your accredited status and use the accreditation logos in print and online.
- Examples of a letter and news releases announcing your accreditation, and example print advertisements.
- Various free resources including videos, templates, and printable brochures.

We encourage you to share this toolkit with your organization's marketing staff.

To further promote your accreditation, consider placing the *Choosing Services* for You and Your Loved Ones brochure in offices and agencies where you would like potential persons served to find out about your services.

This free brochure suggests questions for potential persons served to ask to help them make an informed and appropriate choice of services to match their needs. The print-ready tri-fold brochure is available in English, Spanish, and French on the CARF website at http://www.carf.org/Resources/Brochures/.

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