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Chaplain Achieves Board Certification

Pensacola, Fla. (December 14, 2018) – Lakeview Center Chaplain Daniel Hamel, M.Div., completed the process to become a Board Certified Chaplain. He achieved certification through a rigorous training and education process with The Spiritual Care Association.

Chaplaincy in the behavioral health setting compliments treatment programs in that a connection to a person's personal belief system is supported to help encourage recovery and healing.

"I'm humbled to be in a position to forge a connection with the people we serve as a way to help them along their life journey," said Hamel. "Faith can be an important component to successful, long-term addiction recovery and coping mechanism for mental health challenges."

Currently, more than a dozen chaplaincy groups within the U.S. offer varying levels of education and training, but The Spiritual Care Association demonstrates the use of a standardized, evidence-based curriculum through clinical knowledge-based scoring and competency testing. As such, the same rigor in education, training and testing demanded by other health care disciplines are brought to the chaplaincy profession.



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About Lakeview Center, Inc. Behavioral Health

The Mission of Lakeview Behavioral Health is to help people throughout life's journey. We specialize in providing effective, research-based services for children and adults with mental illnesses, drug and alcohol dependencies, and intellectual disabilities. Our services range from inpatient and residential treatment to outpatient counseling, psychiatry, case management, day treatment, and round-the-clock support for those with serious mental illnesses. Additionally, Lakeview Behavioral Health provides specialized trauma services, medication-assisted treatment for opiate dependency, and medically supervised drug and alcohol detoxification. In all, Lakeview Behavioral Health offers more than 60 programs and services for people in the northwest Florida area. To learn more, go online to eLakeviewCenter.org.

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