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Behavioural Health Foundation Awarded International 3-year CARF Accreditation

ST. NORBERT, MB – The Behavioural Health Foundation (BHF) has been again awarded a 3-year international accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF). BHF first received international accreditation through CARF in 1993. At that time, BHF was the first residential treatment centre in Canada to receive this accreditation.

CARF accreditation assures persons seeking services that BHF meets internationally accepted standards in client care through providing programs and services that take into account the holistic nature of the person seeking help, addressing their specific and unique needs for treatment and support. The accreditation standard also demonstrates to the supporters and stakeholders of BHF that it consistently exercises management techniques that assure efficiency, accountability, cost-effectiveness and successful outcomes of its programs and services.

“We are pleased to have, again, received this international 3-year accreditation from CARF,” states Jean Doucha, BHF Executive Director, “Our devoted staff and supportive Board of Directors continue to enable us to successfully meet the needs of our clients while assuring supporters our commitment to successful, and quality, long term care for those in our communities requiring assistance in overcoming their addictions and co-occurring mental health issues.”

To earn the 3-year accreditation, BHF was required to submit to a survey of its conformance to all applicable standards on site through the observation of services, interviews with persons served and other stakeholders, and a review of all documentation pertaining to the management and execution of its services. After the survey, CARF reviews the findings of the survey team and hands down an accreditation decision ranging from:

- Three-Year Accreditation
- One-Year Accreditation

- Provisional Accreditation
- Nonaccreditation

In providing a 3-year accreditation to BHF, CARF stated that the positive attitude demonstrated by the management and staff members instills confidence and the organization is to be commended for its efforts to provide quality services to its residents.

The Behavioural Health Foundation has been accredited by CARF for the following programs and services:

- Community Housing: Integrated: AOD/MH (Adults)
- Residential Treatment: Integrated: AOD/MH (Adults)
- Residential Treatment: Integrated: AOD/MH (Children and Adolescents)
- Therapeutic Communities: Integrated: AOD/MH (Adults)
- Therapeutic Communities: Integrated: AOD/MH (Children and Adolescents)
- Employment Services: Employee Development Services

For more information regarding the Behavioural Health Foundation, please contact Jean Doucha, Executive Director, at (204) 269-3430 or visit <http://www.bhf.ca>.

For more information regarding CARF and its accreditation standards, please visit <http://www.carf.org>.

About the Behavioural Health Foundation Inc.

The Behavioural Health Foundation is a non-profit organization providing quality behavioural health services of a holistic nature to men, women, dependant children and youth leading to personal and family wellness in areas of education, employment, health and family values.

BHF has two locations in Manitoba – the head office and Adult, Family and Female Youth programs are located at it's St. Norbert location, while the Male Youth program is offered at it's facility in Selkirk. For more information about BHF, please contact Jean Doucha, Executive Director, at (204) 269-3430 or visit BHF online at <http://www.bhf.ca>.

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