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Horizon Behavioral Health awarded accreditation by CARF International

Lynchburg, VA – CARF International announced that Horizon Behavioral Health has been accredited for a period of three years for its comprehensive portfolio of behavioral health services. This latest accreditation is the eleventh consecutive Three-Year Accreditation that the international accrediting body, CARF, has awarded Horizon.

This accreditation decision represents the highest level of accreditation that can be given to an organization and shows the organization's substantial conformance to the CARF standards. An organization receiving a Three-Year Accreditation has put itself through a rigorous peer review process. It has demonstrated to a team of highly qualified surveyors during an on-site visit that its commitment to offering programs and services that are measurable, accountable, and of the highest quality.

Horizon is the Community Services Board serving the Counties of Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford, Campbell, and the City of Lynchburg with offices conveniently located in each city and/or county where services are offered. Horizon has been providing behavioral healthcare services to the residents of Central Virginia since 1969.

CARF is an independent, nonprofit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process and continuous improvement services that center on enhancing the lives of the persons served. Founded in 1966 as the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, and now known as CARF International, the accrediting body establishes consumer-focused standards to help organizations measure and improve the quality of their programs and services. For more information about the accreditation process, please visit the CARF website at www.carf.org.

In the award letter, President/CEO of CARF International, Brian J. Boon, recognizes that "This achievement is an indication of your organization's dedication and commitment to improving the quality of the lives of the persons served. Your organization should take pride in achieving this high level of accreditation."

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Horizon Behavioral Health has been the primary public behavioral healthcare provider in the Region 2000 area for more than 53 years. In the last year, Horizon provided services to approximately 12,000 adults and



children, addressing problems with mental health, substance use and intellectual disabilities. Horizon is accredited by CARF International. This represents the highest level of accreditation that can be given to a behavioral health organization.