



LIFESTREAM, INC. EARNS THREE YEAR ACCREDITATION FROM CARF

LifeStream has been accredited for another period of three years by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) for its community services, community integration programs, and service to medically fragile populations.

CARF International is an independent, not-for-profit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process that centers on enhancing the lives of the persons served. The accreditation process is conducted every three years, and applies CARF's internationally recognized standards during an on-site survey conducted by peer surveyors.

The current CARF accreditation marks the tenth consecutive three-year accreditation that the commission has awarded to the organization. It is the highest level of accreditation that can be earned.

The CARF summary noted several areas of strength for LifeStream, including:

- Quality and longevity of staff and board members that provide stability and demonstrate a dedication to mission and goals

- Commitment, enthusiasm and skills of staff members

- A positive image in the community

- A comprehensive strategic plan for future organizational and program development

- Consistency of enhancing independence and self-worth in all programs offered by the organization

LifeStream also received CARF accreditation for specializing in autism services at their facility at Beacon Street in New Bedford; as well as specializing in working with a medically fragile population at their Welby Road location in New Bedford and Mill Road in Acushnet.

“The CARF accreditation process assesses our programs and services very carefully, so we are extremely pleased with the positive outcome,” said LifeStream President & CEO John A. Latawiec. “It was particularly gratifying to be so highly commended on our areas of strength, most notably our staff and management team who are critical to our success.”

More information about LifeStream is available by visiting www.lifestreaminc.com.

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