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Moriah Unique Corey Awarded \$11,000 Counseling Fellowship From NBCC and Affiliates

Louisville, KY—The NBCC Foundation, an affiliate of the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC), recently selected Moriah Unique Corey, of Louisville, Kentucky, for the NBCC Minority Fellowship Program-Addictions Counselors (MFP-AC). As an NBCC MFP-AC fellow, Corey will receive funding and training to support her education and facilitate her addictions counseling service to underserved minority transition-age youth (ages 16–25).

The NBCC MFP-AC is made possible by a grant awarded to NBCC by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) in September 2014. The Foundation is contracted by NBCC to administer the NBCC MFP-AC, as well as training and collaboration activities, such as webinars, that are open to all National Certified Counselors (NCCs). The goal of the program is to reduce health disparities and improve behavioral health care outcomes for racially and ethnically diverse populations by increasing the available number of culturally competent behavioral health professionals.

The NBCC MFP will distribute up to \$11,000 to Corey and the 29 other master's-level addictions counseling students selected to receive the fellowship award. Corey is a graduate of Thomas More College, in Crestview Hills, Kentucky, and is currently a master's student in the clinical mental health counseling program at Western Kentucky University, in Bowling Green. After graduation, Corey plans to work with youth struggling with addiction. She is particularly passionate about this population, as they can be more susceptible to societal struggles and triggers. This fellowship will allow Corey to specialize her graduate coursework in a way that will better prepare her to serve youth with addictions. Earning this fellowship has granted Corey the privilege of being able to attend counseling conferences, learn evidence-based practices to better serve at-risk youth, and advocate for the counseling profession. Corey shares that she would like to thank everyone who has been supportive in her life and has played a part in aiding her work with transition-age youth, and the Foundation for allowing her this opportunity.

The Foundation plans to open the next NBCC MFP-AC application period in September 2016. To learn more about the NBCC MFP and its fellows, please visit www.nbccf.org.

ABOUT THE NBCC FOUNDATION

The NBCC Foundation is the nonprofit affiliate of the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC), based in Greensboro, North Carolina. NBCC is the nation's premier professional certification board devoted to credentialing counselors who meet standards for the general and specialty practices of professional counseling. Currently, there are more than 60,000 National Certified Counselors in the United States and more than 50 countries. The Foundation's mission is to leverage the power of counseling by strategically focusing resources for positive change.