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Nina M. Carter Awarded \$11,000 Counseling Fellowship From NBCC and Affiliates

Loganville, GA—The NBCC Foundation, an affiliate of the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC), recently selected Nina M. Carter, of Loganville, Georgia, for the NBCC Minority Fellowship Program-Addictions Counselors (MFP-AC). As an NBCC MFP-AC fellow, Carter 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 Carter and the 29 other master's-level addictions counseling students selected to receive the fellowship award. Carter is a graduate of Indiana University–Purdue University Fort Wayne, and is both a student and graduate of Indiana Wesleyan University, in Marion, where she is currently a master's student in the addictions counseling program. After receiving her degree, she would like to help serve minorities and the underprivileged youth in her community and surrounding areas. The fellowship will allow her to continue her education while she will be able to focus on her coursework without the worry of the financial responsibility. She's excited to be able to set an example for her children to keep pushing forward and that anything is possible.

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.

