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NBCC Foundation Awards 2019 Scholarship to Melissa Lynn Boege



Farmingdale, NJ—The NBCC Foundation, an affiliate of the National Board for Certified Counselors, Inc. (NBCC), recently awarded one of the 2019 NBCC Foundation <u>Approved Clinical Supervisor</u> (ACS) training awards to Ms. Melissa Lynn Boege, of Farmingdale, New Jersey. The goal of this scholarship program is to increase the number of available Approved Clinical Supervisors. Ms. Boege will receive \$500 to support her attainment of the ACS credential.

Ms. Boege is a licensed professional counselor and National Certified Counselor. She works as a program supervisor at the Family Growth Program of Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton. In this role, Ms. Boege manages the Family Growth Program's satellite office at the Monmouth County Child Advocacy Center (CAC); serves as a member of the Monmouth County Multidisciplinary Team; liaises with the CAC

and Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office; and provides therapy for children, families, and adults who have experienced trauma, particularly sexual abuse. Ms. Boege is certified in trauma-focused cognitive behavioral therapy and trained in various treatment modalities, including preschool PTSD and problematic sexual behavior CBT group therapy. She provides animal-assisted therapy to her clients with her facility dog, Surf, a yellow lab trained and provided by Canine Companions for Independence and gives abuse prevention presentations with Surf at local elementary schools.

Ms. Boege earned a bachelor's degree in psychology and social and behavioral sciences from Seton Hall University in South Orange, New Jersey, and a master's degree in mental health counseling from Monmouth University in West Long Branch, New Jersey, as well as a graduate certificate in forensic psychology from Rosemont College in Rosemont, Pennsylvania. Ms. Boege plans to earn the ACS credential so that she can offer high-quality supervision and guidance to interns and clinicians at the Family Growth Program. She hopes to help others achieve their professional goals, hone strong clinical skills, and develop passions within the field. She is very grateful to have worked with so many supportive and skilled supervisors and she hopes to provide the same for others.

For more information about NBCC Foundation scholarship opportunities as well as CCE-sponsored scholarships, visit nbccf.org. More information about the ACS and other CCE credentials is available at cce-global.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 66,000 board certified counselors in the United States and over 50 countries. The Foundation's mission is to leverage the power of counseling by strategically focusing resources for positive change.

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