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Asha Rodwell Moses Awarded \$20,000 Counseling Fellowship From the NBCC Foundation



Chester, VA—The NBCC Foundation, an affiliate of the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC), recently selected Asha Rodwell Moses, of Chester, Virginia, for the NBCC Minority Fellowship Program for Doctoral Counselors (NBCC MFP). As an NBCC MFP Doctoral Fellow, Rodwell Moses will receive funding and training to support her education and facilitate her service to underserved populations.

The NBCC MFP is made possible by a grant awarded to the NBCC Foundation by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The NBCC Foundation administers the MFP, including training and collaboration activities, such as webinars, that are open to all board certified counselors. The goal of the program is to

strengthen the infrastructure that engages diverse individuals in counseling and increases the number of professional counselors providing effective, culturally competent services to underserved populations.

The NBCC Foundation will distribute \$20,000 to Rodwell Moses and the other 19 doctoral counseling students selected to receive the fellowship award. Rodwell Moses is a graduate of The George Washington University and Virginia Commonwealth University, and she is currently a doctoral student in the counselor education and supervision program at Walden University. Rodwell Moses is interested in researching the relationship between indirect police violence and mental health implications in African American males. She is also interested in determining best practices to offer grief support and counseling to communities impacted by police violence incidents.

Rodwell Moses has committed her career to providing counseling and advocacy to persons with disabilities. Her work experiences have allowed her to serve persons who are subject to disadvantages because of their communities, disabilities, ethnicities, and financial circumstances. She is currently a counselor manager with a state vocational rehabilitation agency and is active on boards and in professional associations dedicated to serving persons with disabilities and minority populations. She eventually wants to serve as a mentor for counseling students of color pursuing a terminal degree. This fellowship will provide her with training and presentation opportunities to prepare her for a career as a counselor educator.

The NBCC Foundation has also awarded 30 \$10,000 master's-level fellowships through the MFP-Mental Health Counseling-Master's (MFP-MHC-M) and 40 master's-level fellowships of \$15,000 through the MFP for Addictions Counselors (MFP-AC). The NBCC Foundation plans to open the next NBCC MFP application period in fall 2020. To learn more about the NBCC MFP and its fellows, please visit nbccf.org/Programs/Fellows.

*Biographical information provided by the awardee.

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 NBCC Foundation's mission is to leverage the power of counseling by strategically focusing resources for positive change.

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