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NBCC Foundation Awards Scholarship to Farra O. Criswell



Pontotoc, MS—The NBCC Foundation, an affiliate of the National Board for Certified Counselors, Inc. (NBCC), recently awarded a 2020–2021 <u>Board Certified-TeleMental Health Provider</u> (BC-TMH) training award to Farra O. Criswell, of Pontotoc, Mississippi. The goal of this scholarship, provided through funding from the Center for Credentialing & Education (CCE), is to increase the reach and professional development of counselors throughout the nation. Criswell will receive \$500 to support her attainment of the BC-TMH Provider credential.

Farra Criswell is the primary counselor at her private practice, Life Seasons Counseling, LLC, in Tupelo, Mississippi, where she is licensed as a professional counselor and counselor supervisor. She received her Bachelor of Arts in psychology from Delta State University in Cleveland, Mississippi, and her Master of Science in counselor education from Mississippi State University. Ms. Criswell also holds the National Certified Counselor (NCC)

from the National Board for Certified Counselors. She has extensive experience working with children and adults in underserved areas and strives to empower the individuals she works with to help them reach their personal goals. She currently is the Treasurer for the Tombigbee Counseling Association, which is her local chapter of the Mississippi Counseling Association. Her goal as a BC-TMH is to be able to offer counseling services to people throughout the state of Mississippi, particularly in rural areas where there may be limited access to mental health services.

The mission of the NBCC Foundation is to leverage the power of counseling by strategically focusing resources for positive change. The NBCC Foundation in collaboration with CCE provides training awards and scholarships to assist counseling and other professionals in attaining CCE credentials and to support and increase their ongoing professional development and continuing education opportunities.

For more information about NBCC Foundation scholarship opportunities as well as CCE-sponsored scholarships, visit nbccf.org. More information about the BC-TMH 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.