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## NBCC Foundation Awards Scholarship to Dr. Keith Klostermann



Buffalo, NY—The NBCC Foundation, an affiliate of the National Board for Certified Counselors, Inc. (NBCC), recently awarded a 2020–2021 <u>Board</u> <u>Certified-TeleMental Health Provider</u> (BC-TMH) training award to Dr. Keith Klostermann, of Buffalo, New York. 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. Dr. Klostermann will receive \$500 to support his attainment of the BC-TMH Provider credential.

Dr. Keith Klostermann is a marriage and family therapist at Wheatfield Pediatrics and associate professor in the Social Sciences Department at Medaille College. Dr. Klostermann also serves as the Director of Education and Competence for the International Center for Clinical Excellence (ICCE), an international think tank focused on continuously reviewing and disseminating research about what works in therapy. He is an internationally

recognized expert in the use of Behavioral Couples Therapy for Substance Use Disorders (BCT-SUD). Dr. Klostermann is licensed as both a mental health counselor and marriage and family therapist, is an AAMFT Approved Supervisor, and is recognized as a National Certified Counselor (NCC) and certified family therapist (CFT).

In addition to his roles at Medaille, Dr. Klostermann has also served as a clinical consultant for numerous agencies in their implementation of BCT-SUD. Dr. Klostermann is recognized by the national VA Healthcare System as a couple's therapy content expert and served as one of the lead trainers in their national implementation of BCT for treating individuals with substance use disorders. Most recently, Dr. Klostermann served as a co-investigator with colleagues from Edinburgh University to implement BCT-SUD in Edinburgh, Scotland. The results of this study are being used to inform larger scale BCT implementation efforts across Scotland. Dr. Klostermann has won numerous awards for his teaching, leadership, and research, including but not limited to the 2021 Outstanding Professional Award (IAMFC); 2020 AMHCA Dr. Linda Seligman Counselor Education of the Year; 2020 Outstanding Professional Member Award (MCA); 2019 Outstanding Professional Member Award, European Branch of the American Counseling Association (EB-ACA); and the 2019 NBCC Foundation Bridge Builder Award for International Service.

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 <u>nbccf.org</u>. More information about the BC-TMH and other CCE credentials is available at <u>cce-global.org</u>.

## 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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