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NBCC Foundation Awards Scholarship to Teresa Silva



Atlanta, GA—The NBCC Foundation, an affiliate of the National Board for Certified Counselors, Inc. (NBCC), recently awarded a 2020–2021 [Board Certified Coach](#) (BCC) training award to Teresa Silva, of Atlanta, Georgia. The goal of this scholarship, provided through funding from the Center for Credentialing & Education (CCE), is to increase the number of available Board Certified Coaches. Silva will receive up to \$3,000 towards the cost of an approved BCC training.

Teresa Silva owns and operates her private practice in Atlanta, Georgia, where she is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker. She received her Bachelor of Social Work from Western Connecticut State University in Danbury, and her Master of Social Work from the University of Maryland at Baltimore. Ms. Silva has over 23 years of experience in community mental health in foster care, crisis centers, and crisis outreach for the largest community hospital in the Southeast (Grady Hospital) and a community based non-profit center (Mercy Care) that serves underinsured and indigent populations. She combined her expertise of working with underserved populations while interfacing with college campus counseling centers to become a trusted referral source for the clinicians who served these vulnerable populations. She continues to spend time in community-based mental health at New Life Community Ministries located in Decatur, Georgia, where she is responsible for the clinical care and management of the clinicians at the center.

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In addition, Ms. Silva supervises students who are pursuing their degrees in counseling and social work. She has a triple role as supervisor, clinical care manager, and resource to college campus counseling centers. She demonstrates leadership and tries to model the many aspects of coaching these populations to move forward in their professional development. Her goal as a BCC is to expand her practice to include coaching and consulting to the Black community and those communities where advocacy is most needed and to help move clients toward professional and personal success.

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 BCC 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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