

# Psychiatric Leadership Program

## *Enhancing psychiatric leadership in community-based behavioral health agencies*

The Psychiatric Leadership Program (PLP) is an executive leadership program for medical directors in community behavioral health organizations. Psychiatric Leaders complete a one year comprehensive curriculum designed to develop and enhance psychiatric leadership and professional development through:

- applying knowledge and skills to be transformational leaders in their agencies;
- exerting conscious use of self as visionary leaders to improve clinical practice throughout the agency and mental health system;
- effectively recruiting, mentoring, supervising, and increasing the retention of mental health staff;
- participating in community engaged scholarship within their local community;
- informing public policy within their agency and engaging with policy makers locally and nationally.

PLP addresses the industry's pressing workforce challenges and the need to improve the quality of care for people with mental illnesses and addictions in a time of increasing service demand and decreasing resources. The Program strengthens the effectiveness of community psychiatrists in public sector policy and service settings, giving Psychiatric Leaders an opportunity to look beyond day-to-day survival and engage in designing, implementing, and improving innovative treatment and support services. PLP receives financial support from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

*"Psychiatrists in executive positions in community mental health and addictions organizations are usually underpaid and overworked — struggling to manage growing caseloads along with administrative responsibilities, yet passionate about making a difference. The National Council has an obligation to highlight their struggles. And we step in to offer them the skills and supports they need to become leaders in our industry"*

- National Council President and CEO Linda Rosenberg

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### 2009 Psychiatric Leaders

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Edward M. Gentile, DO, MBA	Community Partnership of Southern Arizona	Tucson, AZ
Lynna Hollis, MD	Regional Medical Authority for Davidson County Centerstone	Nashville, TN
Matthew O. Hurford, MD	Hall-Mercer Community Mental Health Center	Philadelphia, PA
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Linda Lefler, MD	Suncoast Center for Community Mental Health. Inc.	St. Petersburg, FL
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### 2008 Psychiatric Leaders

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