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Honoring those that have improved
the lives of people with mental illnesses
and addiction disorders

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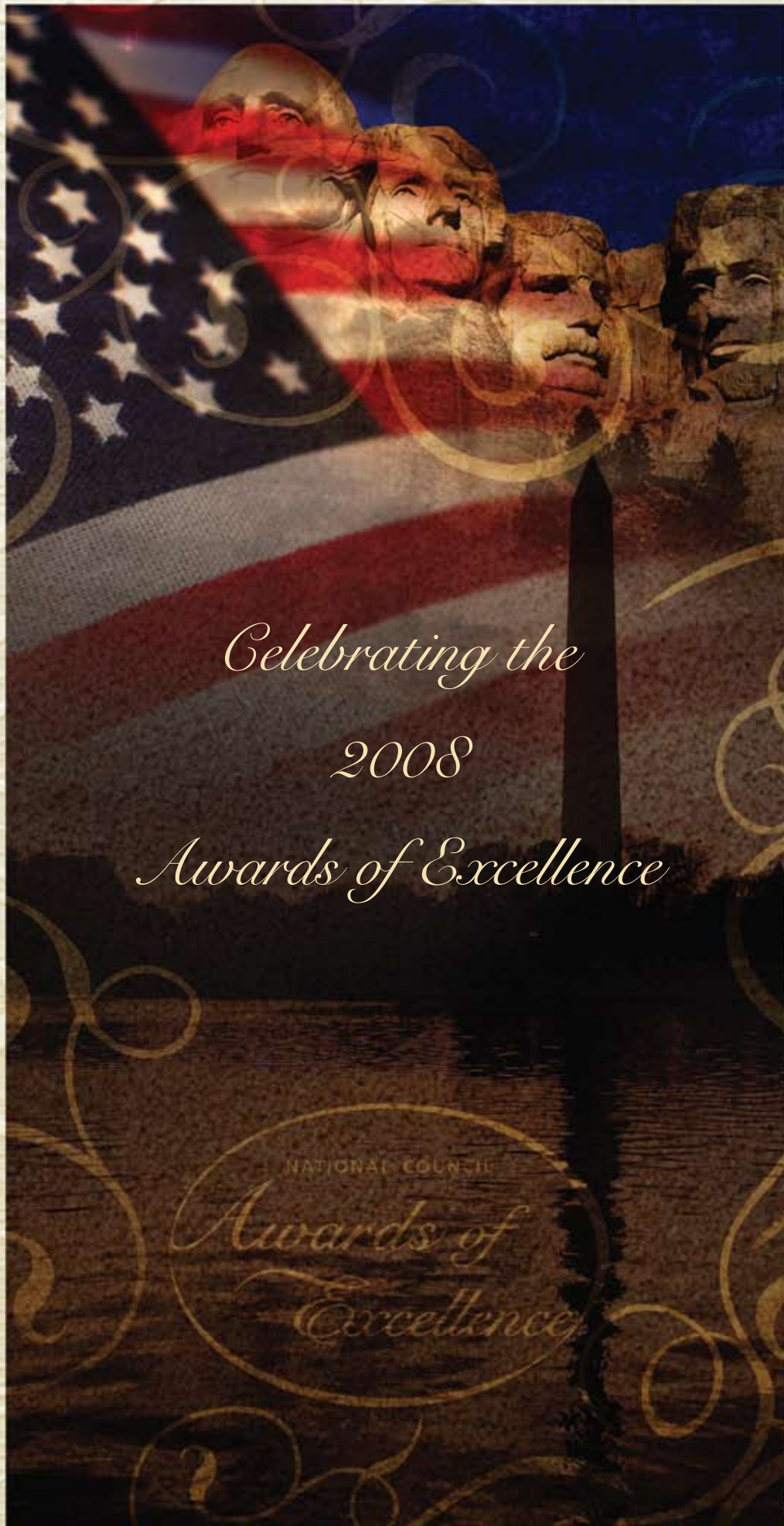
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*Celebrating the
2008*

Awards of Excellence

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“The mentally ill need no longer be alien to our affections or beyond the help of our communities.”

President John F. Kennedy



“Groundbreaking discoveries about the brain have revolutionized our understanding of drug addiction, enabling us to respond effectively to the problem.”

Nora D. Volkow, MD
Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse



The National Council honors all those who are on the journey to make a difference in the lives of people with mental illness and addictions. We dedicate our 2008 Awards of Excellence to the memory of President John F. Kennedy, who signed the 1963 Community Mental Health Centers Act, which paved the way toward a life in the community for everyone with mental illness.

“All this will not be finished
in the first one hundred days.
Nor will it be finished in the
first one thousand days, nor in the life
of this Administration, nor even
perhaps in our life on this planet.

But let us begin.”

*Inaugural Address
January 20, 1961*

President John F. Kennedy



Thank You

The National Council is grateful to our 2008
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2008 Awards of Excellence



John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum
Boston, Massachusetts

Friday, May 2, 2008



Honorary Awards Chair

Christopher Kennedy Lawford

Actor, Author, and Nephew of President John F. Kennedy



PROGRAM

Welcome

Linda Rosenberg, MSW

National Council President and CEO

Dinner

Presentation of Awards

Entertainment by the Water Coolers

2008 Awards of Excellence Honorees



Excellence in Innovation

Centerstone Research Institute, Centerstone
Nashville, TN

In SHAPE Program, Monadnock Family Services, Inc.
Keene, NH

Excellence in Community Collaboration

Integrated Managed Partnership for Adolescent and Child
Community Treatment (IMPACT) Program
Mental Health Center Serving Boulder and Broomfield Counties
Boulder, CO

Excellence in Consumer and Family Leadership

Baltic Street AEH, Inc. (Advocacy, Employment, Housing)
New York, NY

Excellence in Grassroots Advocacy

The Coalition of Behavioral Health Agencies, Inc.
New York, NY

United Services, Inc. of Connecticut
Dayville, CT

Lifetime Achievement Staff Leadership

Moe Armstrong, Director of Recovery, Vinfen Corporation
Cambridge, MA
David J. Berkowitz, PhD, Executive Director, Wheeler Clinic, Inc.
Plainville, CT

2008 Awards of Excellence Honorees



Lifetime Achievement Volunteer Leadership

Alfred H. Forsten, Board Member
Mental Health Mental Retardation Authority of Harris County
Houston, TX

Board Member
National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare
Washington, DC

Excellence in Public Service

Donald J. Hevey
President and CEO, Mental Health Corporations of America
Tallahassee, FL

State Legislator of the Year

The Honorable Steven M. Costantino
Rhode Island House of Representatives
Providence, RI

The Honorable Frederick E. Berry
Massachusetts Senate
Peabody, MA

Excellence in Addictions Education

Christopher Kennedy Lawford, JD

Excellence in Mental Health Education

Professor Tony Jorm and Betty Kitchener
Mental Health First Aid
Australia

Read about the accomplishments of our honorees
at www.TheNationalCouncil.org

Honoring Our Legislators



During its fourth Annual Hill Day in Washington, D.C., June 18, 2008, the National Council will honor the Members of the United States Congress listed below for their commitment and contribution to advancing the cause of mental health and addictions.

Lifetime Achievement, Legislative Action

Senator Pete Domenici (R-NM)

Legislators of the Year

Senator Susan Collins (R-ME)

Senator Charles Grassley (R-IA)

Senator Ken Salazar (D-CO)

Senator Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)

Representative Gene Green (D-TX)

Representative Timothy Murphy (R-PA)

2008 Negley Awards for Risk Management



The Negley Awards were established in 1990 by Negley Associates, underwriting managers for the Mental Health Risk Retention Group and the Scottsdale Insurance Company, to recognize and reward outstanding achievement in risk management by community behavioral healthcare centers.

The 2008 Negley Award winners are recognized for their programs promoting responsible and effective risk management. These programs were designed to ensure the safety of behavioral health clients, staff, and directors, thereby safeguarding essential services for the improved health of our communities.

Board of Directors' Award

The Providence Center
Providence, RI

Chairman's Award

Milestone Centers, Inc.
Pittsburgh, PA

President's Award

Grafton
Winchester, VA

Congratulations to

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY
BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE'S
2008 STATE LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR

Representative
Steven Costantino

(District 8, Providence RI)

*On behalf of Rhode Island's mental
health community for your tireless
efforts and contributions*

Thank you!



Congratulations

to Alfred Forsten on a lifetime's
achievement serving children and
families with mental health needs

Rhode Island Council of
Community Mental Health
Organizations, Inc.

In memory of
Dr. David J. Berkowitz
for a lifetime of transformative
leadership in the field of
public health.

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mental health organizations

The Tennessee Association of Mental Health
Organizations congratulates Centerstone
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The Excellence in Innovation Award for
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to the people of Tennessee!



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Mental Health and Substance Abuse
Corporations of Massachusetts

Congratulates

Moe Armstrong

&

Senator Frederick Berry

on being recognized by
the National Council as

Awards of Excellence honorees

Congratulations to

*the Mental Health Center Serving
Boulder and Broomfield Counties
for embracing the recovery approach
to mental illness*



Jon Cherry and Lifestream Behavioral Center

Congratulate

*Donald Hevey and Mental Health
Corporations of America
for a lifetime of public service.*

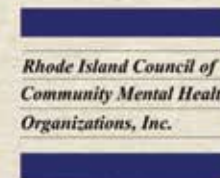


Congratulations to

*the Mental Health Center Serving
Boulder and Broomfield Counties
on your Achievement of Excellence
in creating community collaboration*



*Rhode Island Council of Community
Mental Health Organizations
is proud to have Representative
Steven M. Costantino
as a champion in the
Rhode Island Legislature.*



“The Mental Health/Mental Retardation Authority of Harris County is so proud to have Al Forsten recognized with this prestigious award from the National Council. Al is a pillar of our community and has spent a lifetime advocating for individuals and families affected by these issues. He is committed to creating for them opportunities for improved long term health and a fuller quality of life. It is an honor to have one of our own board members recognized for his fervent commitment and dedication to the behavioral healthcare industry.”

Dr. Steven Schnee, Executive Director, MHMR Authority of Harris County.

“This very deserved recognition provides us with not only an opportunity to say thanks to Al Forsten for his countless contributions to our service system, but it also provides us with an opportunity to show others how one person really can make the world a better place for many, many people.”

Danette Castle, CEO, Texas Council of Community MHMR Centers



Representative Steven M. Costantino

*2008 Awards of Excellence
State Legislator of the Year*

The Providence Center congratulates Representative Costantino as the recipient of the National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare's State Legislator of the Year award. Representative Costantino's passionate advocacy for people with mental illness and addictions and his legislative leadership on issues surrounding healthcare are unrivaled.

We are honored to have Representative Costantino as our legislator.



Building on Community Strength and Spirit.

**Community Partnership of Southern Arizona (CPSA)
and The Arizona Council of Human Service Providers
congratulate Alfred Forsten for his dedication to
people living with mental illness.**

CPSA is the Regional Behavioral Health Authority (RBHA) designated by the state of Arizona to coordinate and manage publicly funded behavioral health services in Pima, Cochise, Graham, Greenlee, and Santa Cruz counties.



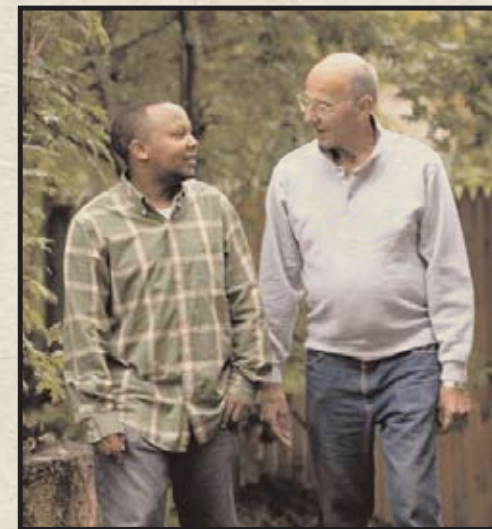
CPSA receives funding from the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS), Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS), and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).

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**Congratulations to our own Moe Armstrong
as the winner of the 2008 Lifetime
Achievement Award in Staff Leadership.**

Vinfen would also like to congratulate
The Monadnock Family Services, Don Hevey
and Senator Fred Berry as well as all the
individuals recognized by the National
Council of Community Behavioral
Healthcare for their awards

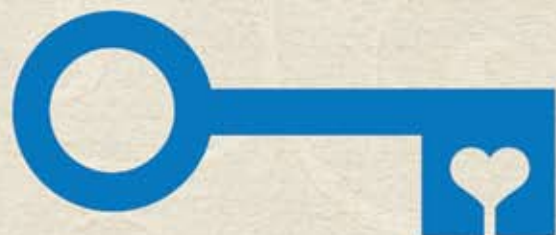


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About the National Council



Every day, more than 1,400 member organizations of the National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare touch the lives of millions of adults, children, and families with mental illnesses and addiction disorders.

Our members reach out to nearly 6 million people with mental illnesses and addiction disorders to give them a chance to lead productive lives, while treating each and every one with dignity, respect, and cultural sensitivity.

As a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) association, the National Council offers a critical safety net to our nation's poorest and most vulnerable citizens. We are truly humbled seeing the life-changing work performed every day by our member organizations.

We'll continue to support our members' work by advocating for policies that help the people they serve receive accessible, high-quality care.



We envision a nation where everyone has access to the effective mental health and addictions treatment and the supports essential to live, work, learn, and participate fully in their communities.