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Salah Foundation Awards $25,000 Challenge Grant for Henderson Behavioral Health’s Early Identification Project

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Henderson Behavioral Health has been selected to receive a $25,000 Challenge Grant from the Salah Foundation for their Early Identification of Psychosis and Intervention Project.

Henderson Behavioral Health (“HBH”) is the oldest and largest, not-for-profit behavioral healthcare system in Broward County, Florida. For over 60 years, HBH has established itself as a leader in providing quality behavioral healthcare services to individuals, families, adults and children. In 2012-2013, over 25,000 individuals were served with 5,000 of those under the age of 18.

The Salah Foundation is a private foundation that supports non-profit organizations in the United States that strengthen families and communities and advances individuals to become productive and responsible citizens. There is a special interest in education, medical research, community development, and self-sufficiency programs aimed at the economically disadvantaged, the young, the elderly and the disabled. The Salah Foundation runs a targeted grant process and select organizations are invited to apply.

“The Salah Foundation is prepared to match every dollar raised for the Early Identification Project up to $25,000. We need other individuals in this community to step up to the plate, and invest in this ground-breaking program,” said Salah Foundation Board Member George J. Taylor, Esq.

“We are grateful to the Salah Foundation for their generosity and for the opportunity to leverage donations from new and existing donors while educating our community about our Early Identification Project for young people and adults experiencing their first episode of psychoses, which if untreated, can lead to more serious consequences,” said Dr. Steven Ronik, Henderson CEO.

Approximately 3% of the population will experience a psychotic episode at some stage in their life. The Project’s goal is to eliminate or reduce additional episodes in order to keep someone on “as normal a life course as possible. Early identification and treatment is vital in order to reduce the trauma from subsequent episodes. “This Project is the first of its kind in Broward County and we deeply appreciate the Salah Foundation helping us address a critical unmet need for people in our community,” states Ronik.

For more information about helping Henderson Behavioral Health meet the Salah Foundation Challenge Grant, contact Suzanne Higgins, Director of Development at 954-777-1624 or shiggins@hendersonbehavioralhealth.org

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