

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
Application for Continuing Education Approval Organization

Section A: Organizational Information

Communities in Schools of the Gulf South
Name of Organization
Amanda Schroeder, President
Name of Director/President
P.O. Box 792800 New Orleans, LA 70179
Mailing Address City/State Zip
3400 Bienville Street Suite B New Orleans, LA 70119
Physical Address (if different from above) City/State Zip
504 1 248 6504 504 486-8020
Telephone Fax
amandas@cisgulfsouth.org Cisgulfsouth.org
Email Address Website

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization status must have a significant and continual affiliation with the social work profession. Please indicate that which applies:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization ☒ Social Work Service Provider
☐ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization must have three (3) letters of references from any combination of the following:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization ☐ Social Work Service Provider
☐ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Section B: Continuing Education Program

Review and approval of continuing education applications from continuing education providers must be completed by a credentialed social worker. Identify the social worker assigned to administer this process for the organization.

Shayne Katter / MSW / LCSW, DACS
Name/Social Work Degree/Social Work Credential
Chief Program Officer
Relationship to Organization
P.O. Box 792800 New Orleans, LA 70179
Mailing Address City/State Zip
3400 Bienville Street Suite B New Orleans, LA 70119
Physical Address (if different from above) City/State Zip
504 1 301-6424 504 486-8020
Telephone Fax
shayne.katter@cisgulfsouth.org
Email Address

Section C: Approval Guidelines, Process and Agreement

Protocol for receiving request for approval from education presenters:

- Organization will provide LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application to education presenters upon request.
- LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application may be mailed, faxed, sent electronically and/or published on Organization website.
- Organization will accept only LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Applications, completed in its entirety and accompanied by required documentation.

Process by which Organization will study and assess the proposed education offering:

- Organization will review application and supporting documentation to determine that it meets all standards and guidelines established in "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education."

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine timeline for administering the continuing education program.

- Describe time limit set for making a decision on an educational offering's suitability:

Please see typed attached statement.

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine their own fees, if any, charged for these services.

- Describe fees agency will charge to process Continuing Education Applications:

Please see typed attached statement.

Section D: Authority

Submission of this signed application certifies that the Organization has studied the "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education," and determined that the Organization is prepared to assess continuing education opportunities by these guidelines on a timely bases; and has ample storage to maintain all continuing education records for a minimum of three years, and in accordance with Louisiana law. Organization understands that if approved, the organization will be given authority to pre-approve social work continuing education for three (3) years. After three (3) years, the organization shall reapply to the Board if interested in maintaining designation as a pre-approving body. Organization agrees to comply with scheduled LABSWE Continuing Education audits and submit a list of all approved programs to the board office for current collection period by July 15 of each year. Organization agrees to notify LABSWE within thirty (30) days if any information submitted on this application changes. Organization understands that approval is granted at the discretion of the Board and may be revoked if Organization is found to be out of compliance with any aspect of established guidelines.

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine timeline for administering the continuing education program.

- Describe time limit set for making a decision on an educational offering's suitability:

Communities in Schools of the Gulf South will make approval decisions within 2 weeks of receiving required documents.

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine their own fees, if any, charged for these services.

- Describe fees agency will charge to process Continuing Education Applications:

Communities in Schools of the Gulf South will charge a \$25 fee for processing of Continuing Education Applications.

This designation also designates the organization as an approved provider of continuing education. This designation will be authorized for three (3) years from the date LABSWE approves the application.

Amanda Schrader, President
Signature of Director/President

3/12/2025
Date

Submit completed and signed application, along with three (3) reference letters, to:

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

For LABSWE office use only:

Application Received _____ Application Reviewed _____ Application Approved/Denied _____
Approval Expires _____

Revised 5/16



Children's Hospital
New Orleans
LCMC Health

Louisiana Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

September 3rd, 2024

To the Members of the Board,

Please accept this letter of support of Communities In Schools Gulf South's (CIS) application to be a CEU provider to Social Workers. Communities In Schools Gulf South is a nonprofit that partners with schools across the state and provides a full time LMSW or LCSW to their partner schools. CIS Social Workers work with school staff and families to remove barriers to student success. We believe that CIS would be an additional asset to be able to provide training for their staff and the community.

Sincerely,

Chelsea Moore, MHA, MSW, LCSW
Director, Specialty Practices- ThriveKids Student Wellness
Children's Hospital New Orleans



SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY *at* NEW ORLEANS

MILLIE CHARLES

School of Social Work

6801 Press Drive New Orleans, Louisiana 70126

Fax (504) 286-5387

Louisiana Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

September 4, 2024

Re: Letter of Reference

To the Members of the Board,

I am writing this letter of support for Communities In Schools Gulf South's (CIS) in its efforts to become an approved Continuing Education Organization with LA. Board of Social Work Examiners (LABSWE). Communities In Schools Gulf South is a nonprofit that partners with schools across the state and provides a full time LMSW or LCSW to their partner schools. CIS Social Workers work with school staff and families to remove barriers to student success. CIS is a longstanding partner with Southern University Social Work Field Education Program.

We further believe that CIS would be a great resource for social workers in acquiring social work professional development trainings. Again, it is with great pleasure that this letter of reference on the behalf of CIS and hope their application with LABSWE is approved.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Robert Sevalia LCSW-BACS".

Robert Sevalia, LCSW-BACS

Field Education Liaison

Millie Charles School of Social Work



Mercy
110 Veterans Memorial Blvd.
Suite 425
Metairie, LA 70005
phone 504-838-8283
fax 877-472-2158
mercy.net

Louisiana Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

September 3, 2024

To the Members of the Board,

Please accept this letter of support of Communities In Schools Gulf South's (CIS) application to be a CEU provider to Social Workers. Communities In Schools Gulf South is a nonprofit that partners with schools across the state and provides a full time LMSW or LCSW to their partner schools. CIS Social Workers work with school staff and families to remove barriers to student success. We believe that CIS would be an additional asset to be able to provide training for their staff and the community.

Sincerely,

Laura Danna, LCSW
Director- Project Fleur-de-lis
Clinician- Mercy Family Center

PAGE BREAK

*** * * * ***

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners

Application for Continuing Education Approval Organization

REC'D FEB 24 2025

Section A: Organizational Information

Forever Care Resource Center LLC

Name of Organization		
Deishonda Greenwood, LCSW-BACS		
Name of Director/President		
1919 Veterans Memorial Blvd Kenner La 70062 ste 302		
Mailing Address	City/State	Zip
Physical Address (if different from above)	City/State	Zip
same /	/	
Telephone	Fax	
504-399-1161		
Email Address	Website	

Organization applying for *Continuing Education Approval Organization* status must have a significant and continual affiliation with the social work profession. Please indicate that which applies:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization
☐ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

☒ Social Work Service Provider

Organization applying for *Continuing Education Approval Organization* must have three (3) letters of references from any combination of the following:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization
☒ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

☒ Social Work Service Provider

Section B: Continuing Education Program

Review and approval of continuing education applications from continuing education providers must be completed by a credentialed social worker. Identify the social worker assigned to administer this process for the organization.

Deishonda Greenwood, LCSW-BACS

Name/Social Work Degree/Social Work Credential		
Owner		
Relationship to Organization		
1919 Veterans Memorial Blvd Kenner, La 70062 Suite 302		
Mailing Address	City/State	Zip
same		
Physical Address (if different from above)	City/State	Zip
/ 504-399-1161 877-863-4261	/	
Telephone	Fax	
dgreenwood@forevercareresource.com		
Email Address		

Section C: Approval Guidelines, Process and Agreement

Protocol for receiving request for approval from education presenters:

- Organization will provide LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application to education presenters upon request.
- LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application may be mailed, faxed, sent electronically and/or published on Organization website.
- Organization will accept only LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Applications, completed in its entirety and accompanied by required documentation.

Process by which Organization will study and assess the proposed education offering:

- Organization will review application and supporting documentation to determine that it meets all standards and guidelines established in "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education."

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine timeline for administering the continuing education program.

- Describe time limit set for making a decision on an educational offering's suitability:

A seven day timeline(turnaround) will be administered for the CEU program

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine their own fees, if any, charged for these services.

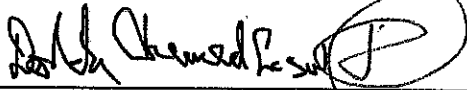
- Describe fees agency will charge to process Continuing Education Applications:

45 Dollars per application, for conferences a flat fee of 75 for conference.

Section D: Authority

Submission of this signed application certifies that the Organization has studied the "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education," and determined that the Organization is prepared to assess continuing education opportunities by these guidelines on a timely bases; and has ample storage to maintain all continuing education records for a minimum of three years, and in accordance with Louisiana law. Organization understands that if approved, the organization will be given authority to pre-approve social work continuing education for three (3) years. After three (3) years, the organization shall reapply to the Board if interested in maintaining designation as a pre-approving body. Organization agrees to comply with scheduled LABSWE Continuing Education audits and submit a list of all approved programs to the board office for current collection period by July 15 of each year. Organization agrees to notify LABSWE within thirty (30) days if any information submitted on this application changes. Organization understands that approval is granted at the discretion of the Board and may be revoked if Organization is found to be out of compliance with any aspect of established guidelines.

This designation also designates the organization as an approved provider of continuing education. This designation will be authorized for three (3) years from the date LABSWE approves the application.



2/7/2025

Signature of Director/President

Date

Submit completed and signed application, along with three (3) reference letters, to:

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

For LABSWE office use only:

Application Received _____ Application Reviewed _____ Application Approved/Denied _____

Approval Expires _____

Revised 5/16



7606 Westbank Expressway, Suite B
Marrero, LA 70072
P: (504) 265-8201
compassbhs1@gmail.com

December 10, 2024

Louisiana State Board of Social Work
18550 Highland Road B
Baton Rouge, LA 70809

Re: Deishonda Greenwood

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter serves as a recommendation for Deishonda Greenwood as she updates her application to resume her role as a continuing education provider. I have had the pleasure of working closely with Deishonda for over a decade, including during our time at Compass Behavioral Health Services. I have had the pleasure of working closely with Deishonda for over a decade including Compass Behavioral Health Services. I have seen her excel in clinical positions over the years. Deishonda expertise in many areas of social work is undeniable.

I know Deishonda will be an exceptional educator who fosters an engaging and inclusive environment. While an employee for my agency, she consistently received excellent feedback from clients, who deeply appreciated her genuine approach to treatment as well as her dedication to ensuring notable progress and positive, measurable outcomes.

Deishonda's leadership and collaborative spirit were instrumental in fostering a supportive and productive environment at Compass Behavioral Health Services.

I am confident that Deishonda will bring the same level of excellence and commitment to this role as a continuing education provider.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information or wish to discuss Deishonda's qualifications in more detail. I can be reached at _____

Best Regards,

Darlene Jenkins, LMSW

Founder, Compass Behavioral Health Services

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Darlene Jenkins", is written over the printed name.

#1 Priority Personal Care Service
6305 Elysian Fields Ave.
Suite 303
New Orleans, La 70122
Office:
Fax: 504-301-4717



Administrator
#1 Priority Personal Care Services
6305 Elysian Fields Avenue Ste #303
New Orleans, Louisiana 70122

February 11, 2025

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

Dear Members of the Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners:

I am writing to offer my strong recommendation for Ms. Deishonda Greenwood as a Continuing Education Unit (CEU) provider for the Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners. As an administrator at #1 Priority Personal Care Service, I have had the opportunity to work closely with Deishonda over the past 3 years, and I can confidently say that she has the qualifications, expertise, and dedication necessary to contribute positively to the professional development of social workers in Louisiana.

Deishonda has demonstrated exceptional skills and knowledge in specific areas of practice or expertise, such as mental health, trauma-informed care, ethics, and case management, which would be invaluable to social workers seeking to fulfill their CEU requirements. Her background and experience make her well-suited to lead educational sessions on MH in the AA community. Not only does Deishonda bring a wealth of knowledge, but she also possesses the ability to communicate complex ideas in a clear and engaging way. I have observed her facilitating workshops and training sessions, and I have seen firsthand her dedication to ensuring that participants not only gain new knowledge but also leave with practical tools they can apply in their practice.

I am confident that Deishonda will be an excellent CEU provider for the Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners. She is an outstanding social worker, educator, and advocate for professional growth, and I believe that her contributions will be an asset to the social work community in Louisiana.

#1 Priority Personal Care Service
6305 Elysian Fields Ave.
Suite 303
New Orleans, La 70122
Office:
Fax: 504-301-4717



Please feel free to contact me at (859) 536-3005 or email me at demullen@att.net if you need further information or would like to discuss my recommendation in more detail.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Deidre Mullen MSW CCJ
Administrator
#1 Priority Personal Care Service

(RSW)



Bridges to Hope

200 South Broad Street • Suite 205A • New Orleans, Louisiana • 70110

PH 504 821-7618 || FAX 504 821-7817

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners

Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 3137

Baton Rouge, LA 70821

Dear Members of the Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners,

I am writing this letter to wholeheartedly recommend Deishonda Greenwood, LCSW-BACS and Forever Care Resource Center LLC as a Continuing Education Unit (CEU) provider for the Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners.

I have had the pleasure of working with Deishonda for 5 years in various capacities, and I have consistently been impressed with her expertise, professionalism, and commitment to advancing the field of social work. Deishonda has demonstrated an in-depth understanding of social work practices and possesses a solid foundation in delivering educational content that is both relevant and valuable to professionals in the field.

Through her work, Deishonda has successfully organized and facilitated multiple professional development programs aimed at enhancing the knowledge and skills of social workers. These programs have been well-received, with participants consistently providing positive feedback on the content, delivery, and practical applicability of the material. Deishonda has a strong commitment to ensuring that all educational offerings are not only informative but also aligned with the highest standards of quality.

In addition to her expertise in social work education, Deishonda possesses excellent organizational skills and is fully capable of handling the administrative requirements involved in being an approved CEU provider. She has demonstrated the ability to develop curriculum, assess learning outcomes, and maintain proper documentation—all critical elements for maintaining compliance with CEU requirements.

I have no doubt that Deishonda and Forever Care Resource will be an asset to the Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners as a CEU provider. I strongly support her application and believe that her qualifications and passion for furthering social work education will contribute positively to the professional development of social workers throughout the state.

Please feel free to contact me at 1 _____ or _____, you require any additional information.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

PAGE BREAK

*** * * * ***

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners

Application for Continuing Education Approval Organization

Section A: Organizational Information

Louisiana Association of Clinical Social Workers (LACSW)

Name of Organization

Michele Thibodeaux, LCSW-BACS

Name of Director/President

814 Fortune Rd.

Youngsville, LA

70592

Mailing Address

City/State

Zip

Physical Address (if different from above)

City/State

Zip

Telephone

lacswh.1985@gmail.com

Fax

LACSW.org

Email Address

Website

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization status must have a significant and continual affiliation with the social work profession. Please indicate that which applies:

☒ Professional Social Work Organization

☐ Social Work Service Provider

☐ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization must have three (3) letters of references from any combination of the following:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization

☒ Social Work Service Provider

☐ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Section B: Continuing Education Program

Review and approval of continuing education applications from continuing education providers must be completed by a credentialed social worker. Identify the social worker assigned to administer this process for the organization.

Averie McCauley, MSW, LCSW-BACS

Name/Social Work Degree/Social Work Credential

Board Member

Relationship to Organization

4833 Conti Street, Suite 210 New Orleans, LA

70119

Mailing Address

City/State

Zip

Physical Address (if different from above)

City/State

Zip

504 / 383-4851

Telephone

averiemccauleylcsw@gmail.com

Fax

Email Address

Section C: Approval Guidelines, Process and Agreement

Protocol for receiving request for approval from education presenters:

- Organization will provide LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application to education presenters upon request.
- LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application may be mailed, faxed, sent electronically and/or published on Organization website.
- Organization will accept only LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Applications, completed in its entirety and accompanied by required documentation.

Process by which Organization will study and assess the proposed education offering:

- Organization will review application and supporting documentation to determine that it meets all standards and guidelines established in "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education."

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine timeline for administering the continuing education program.

- Describe time limit set for making a decision on an educational offering's suitability:

Up to 30 days

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine their own fees, if any, charged for these services.

- Describe fees agency will charge to process Continuing Education Applications:

One-time event \$50

Event offered multiple times within 1 year of original event \$75

Section D: Authority

Submission of this signed application certifies that the Organization has studied the "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education," and determined that the Organization is prepared to assess continuing education opportunities by these guidelines on a timely bases; and has ample storage to maintain all continuing education records for a minimum of three years, and in accordance with Louisiana law. Organization understands that if approved, the organization will be given authority to pre-approve social work continuing education for three (3) years. After three (3) years, the organization shall reapply to the Board if interested in maintaining designation as a pre-approving body. Organization agrees to comply with scheduled LABSWE Continuing Education audits and submit a list of all approved programs to the board office for current collection period by July 15 of each year. Organization agrees to notify LABSWE within thirty (30) days if any information submitted on this application changes. Organization understands that approval is granted at the discretion of the Board and may be revoked if Organization is found to be out of compliance with any aspect of established guidelines.

This designation also designates the organization as an approved provider of continuing education. This designation will be authorized for three (3) years from the date LABSWE approves the application.

Michelle Plodeas, LCSW - BACS 3/10/25
Signature of Director/President Date

Submit completed and signed application along with three (3) reference letters, to:

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

For LABSWE office use only:

Application Received _____

Application Reviewed _____

Application Approved/Denied _____

Approval Expires _____

March 3, 2025

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, LA 70809

Attention: Emily DeAngelo, Administrator & Custodian of Public Records

Re: Louisiana Association of Clinical Social Workers – Application

Dear Ms. DeAngelo:

Please accept this letter in support of the Louisiana Association of Clinical Social Workers' (LACSW) application to continue as a CEU Approval organization. The National Association of Social Workers – Louisiana Chapter (NASW-LA) has enjoyed a long and fruitful relationship with LACSW, and we know their leadership are experienced, competent clinicians who are well-versed in the standards required of a CEU approval organization. LACSW is an integral part of Louisiana's social work community, and we strongly endorse their application to continue as a CEU Approval organization

If you would like additional information, please feel free to contact me at the email address provided below.



Sincerely,
Will Francis, LMSW
He/Him/His
Executive Director
National Association of Social Workers –
Louisiana and Texas Chapters
P.O. Box 4093
Baton Rouge, LA 70821
Phone: 225-346-1234
Wfrancis.naswla@socialworkers.org
www.naswla.org

Letter of Recommendation

Hailey L. Verrett, MSW, LCSW
HLV Clinical Services, LLC
Bloom Mental Wellness Team
203 Energy Parkway Building 2
Lafayette, LA 70508

March 9, 2025

Dear Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners (LABSWE):

I am writing this letter of recommendation on behalf of the Louisiana Association of Clinical Social Workers (LACSW) as they work towards renewal of serving as an Approval Organization for Social Work CEUs. As a former LACSW Board Member and Board Secretary, I stand firm and confident in my recommendation of LACSW as an approving organization for CEUs. LACSW consists of highly trained, skilled, dedicated, and ethical social workers who wish to ensure the highest standards of care are offered and met for social workers across the state of Louisiana - protecting the profession, its professionals, and in turn, the clients we serve. May they be granted the opportunity to work alongside you to safeguard the public's health, safety, and overall welfare.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. Please reach out to me via telephone or email, should you have any specific questions/concerns regarding this recommendation.

Sincerely,



Hailey L. Verrett, MSW, LCSW
LCSW ID #11824

Sherri Hebert, LAC, LCSW
Victory Addiction Recovery Center
111 Liberty Avenue
Lafayette, LA. 70508

www.myvictorycenter.com

March 2, 2025

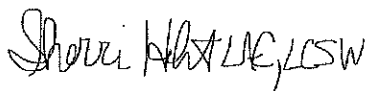
Louisiana State Board of Social Work
Examiners
18550 Highland Road,
Suite B
Baton Rouge, LA
70809

Subject: LACSW CEU Approval Application &
Recommendation

Board Members of LABSWE, % Michelle
Thibodeaux

I am writing this letter in support of the Louisiana Association of Clinical Social Workers application to continue as a CEU approval organization. LACSW is an essential part of the social work community in Louisiana. It is vital that social workers have ethical and competent programs available. LACSW meets the requirements of a CEU approval organization.

Kindest Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sherri Hebert, LAC, LCSW". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sherri Hebert, LAC, LCSW

PAGE BREAK

*** * * * ***

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners

Application for Continuing Education Approval Organization

Section A: Organizational Information

NO/AIDS Task Force d.b.a. CrescentCare

Name of Organization		
Alice Riener, CEO		
Name of Director/President		
1631 Elysian Fields Ave.	New Orleans, LA	70117
Mailing Address	City/State	Zip
Physical Address (if different from above)		
504 / 821-2601 Ext 1008	City/State	Zip
504 / 814-6047		
Telephone	Fax	
Alice.Riener@crescentcare.org	www.crescentcare.org	
Email Address	Website	

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization status must have a significant and continual affiliation with the social work profession. Please indicate that which applies:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization ☒ Social Work Service Provider
☐ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization must have three (3) letters of references from any combination of the following:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization ☐ Social Work Service Provider
☐ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Section B: Continuing Education Program

Review and approval of continuing education applications from continuing education providers must be completed by a credentialed social worker. Identify the social worker assigned to administer this process for the organization.

Bethney Whittington, MSW LCSW-BACS #9831

Name/Social Work Degree/Social Work Credential		
Employee		
Relationship to Organization		
1631 Elysian Fields Ave.,	New Orleans, LA	70117
Mailing Address	City/State	Zip
Physical Address (if different from above)		
504 / 821-2601 Ext 1330	City/State	Zip
	/ 504-814-6047	
Telephone	Fax	
bethney.whittington@crescentcare.org		
Email Address		

Section C: Approval Guidelines, Process and Agreement

Protocol for receiving request for approval from education presenters:

- Organization will provide LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application to education presenters upon request.
- LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application may be mailed, faxed, sent electronically and/or published on Organization website.
- Organization will accept only LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Applications, completed in its entirety and accompanied by required documentation.

Process by which Organization will study and assess the proposed education offering:

- Organization will review application and supporting documentation to determine that it meets all standards and guidelines established in "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education."

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine timeline for administering the continuing education program.

- Describe time limit set for making a decision on an educational offering's suitability:

As continuing education programming opportunities present themselves, CrescentCare case management and behavioral health leadership, all of 4 of them have LCSWs, will meet to review the materials and discuss. The goal will be to have a decision on the suitability of the educational offering with one week.

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine their own fees, if any, charged for these services.

- Describe fees agency will charge to process Continuing Education Applications:

CrescentCare employees 58 staff who are social workers. The bulk of the continuing education we envision providing will be for our staff. For CrescentCare staff, there will be no charge for processing the continuing education applications. This will be an additional support we will provide to our social work staff. We anticipate offering occasional trainings for external organizations and staff. In that case, we will a fee of \$25 per person to process the continuing education applications.

Section D: Authority

Submission of this signed application certifies that the Organization has studied the "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education," and determined that the Organization is prepared to assess continuing education opportunities by these guidelines on a timely bases; and has ample storage to maintain all continuing education records for a minimum of three years, and in accordance with Louisiana law. Organization understands that if approved, the organization will be given authority to pre-approve social work continuing education for three (3) years. After three (3) years, the organization shall reapply to the Board if interested in maintaining designation as a pre-approving body. Organization agrees to comply with scheduled LABSWE Continuing Education audits and submit a list of all approved programs to the board office for current collection period by July 15 of each year. Organization agrees to notify LABSWE within thirty (30) days if any information submitted on this application changes. Organization understands that approval is granted at the discretion of the Board and may be revoked if Organization is found to be out of compliance with any aspect of established guidelines.

This designation also designates the organization as an approved provider of continuing education. This designation will be authorized for three (3) years from the date LABSWE approves the application.



2/3/2025

Signature of Director/President

Date

Submit completed and signed application, along with three (3) reference letters, to:

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

For LABSWE office use only:

Application Received _____ Application Reviewed _____ Application Approved/Denied _____

Approval Expires _____



START CORPORATION
☎ 985-333-2020 ☎ 985-851-0162
235 Civic Center Blvd., Houma, LA 70360

Thursday, January 23, 2025

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

RE: Reference for NO/AIDS Task Force dba CrescentCare's Continuing Education Approval

Dear Board Members,

As a direct service provider in the social work field, I am pleased to recommend CrescentCare for approval as a Continuing Education Approval Organization. Through our collaborative work in serving mutual clients, I have firsthand knowledge of their professional capabilities and commitment to excellence.

Their integrated approach to case management, behavioral health therapy, and mental health rehabilitation demonstrates a thorough understanding of current social work practice needs. I have observed their consistent dedication to:

- Maintaining high standards of professional practice
- Ensuring comprehensive service coordination
- Promoting evidence-based interventions
- Supporting ongoing professional development

Their practical experience in delivering these services positions them well to evaluate the relevance and quality of continuing education programs. I confidently recommend them for this responsibility.

Sincerely,

Casey Guidry, LCSW
Chief Executive Officer

AHEC Area Health Education Center • Southeast Louisiana

AHEC • 1302 J. W. Davis Drive; Hammond LA 70403; Phone: 985.345.1119; Fax: 985.419.9486

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

RE: Reference for NO/AIDS Task Force dba CrescentCare's Continuing Education Approval

Dear Board Members:

As a direct service provider in the social work field, I am pleased to recommend CrescentCare for approval as a Continuing Education Approval Organization. Since 2005, through our collaborative work in serving mutual clients I have 20 years of firsthand knowledge of their professional capabilities and commitment to excellence.

Their integrated approach to case management, behavioral health therapy, and mental health rehabilitation demonstrates a thorough understanding of current social work practice needs. I have observed their consistent dedication to:

- Maintaining high standards of professional practice
- Ensuring comprehensive service coordination
- Promoting evidence-based interventions
- Supporting ongoing professional development

Their practical experience in delivering these services positions them well to evaluate the relevance and quality of continuing education programs. I confidently recommend them for this responsibility.

Sincerely,



Natasha Dyer Eberly, DSW, LCSW-BACS
Cell 1



4700 Wichers Drive
Marrero, LA 70072
Phone: 504.309.3262
Fax: 504.309.9307

12 Westbank Expressway
Gretna, LA 70053
Phone: 504.509.4800
Fax: 504.509.4802

January 27, 2025

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

RE: Reference for NO/AIDS Task Force dba CrescentCare's Continuing Education Approval

Dear Board Members:

As a direct service provider in the social work field, I am pleased to recommend CrescentCare for approval as a Continuing Education Approval Organization. Through our collaborative work in serving mutual clients, I have firsthand knowledge of their professional capabilities and commitment to excellence.

Their integrated approach to case management, behavioral health therapy, and mental health rehabilitation demonstrates a thorough understanding of current social work practice needs. I have observed their consistent dedication to:

- Maintaining high standards of professional practice
- Ensuring comprehensive service coordination
- Promoting evidence-based interventions
- Supporting ongoing professional development

Their practical experience in delivering these services positions them well to evaluate the relevance and quality of continuing education programs. I confidently recommend them for this responsibility. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at !

2 or

Sincerely,

Tamara B. Dioubate, MSW, MSHCM
Chief Executive Officer

Joshua Fegley, LCSW-BACS
Joshua.Fegley.LCSW@gmail.com

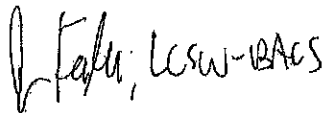
January 29, 2025
Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, LA 70809

Dear Esteemed Board Members,

I am writing as a professional reference for NO/AIDS Task Force (dba CrescenCare) to become a Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners CEU Approver. Prior to my current position at Tulane School of Social Work, I worked at CrescentCare for almost 20 years. I know firsthand that CrescentCare is a leader in comprehensive health care and supportive services for marginalized communities; specifically expertise with case management, behavioral health, and other services for the LGBTQI+ community. As a respected service provider for marginalized communities and populations, I have no doubt CrescentCare will take the responsibility of providing and approving CEUs seriously. I can say with confidence that The Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners has my full support and confidence in approving CrescentCare to approve social work worthy, evidence-informed, and appropriate CEUs for Social Workers.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at . . .

Respectfully,



Joshua Fegley, LCSW-BACS
Louisiana License #8555

PAGE BREAK

*** * * * ***

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners

Application for Continuing Education Approval Organization

Section A: Organizational Information

North Oaks Health System
Name of Organization
Michelle K. Sutton CEO / Carasa Lemoine, Education Manager
Name of Director/President
P.O. Box 2668 Hammond, LA 70404
Mailing Address City/State Zip
15837 Paul Vega MD Drive Hammond, LA 70403
Physical Address (if different from above) City/State Zip
985 / 230-6196 / 985-230-6757
Telephone Fax
lemoine@northoaks.org www.northoaks.org
Email Address Website

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization status must have a significant and continual affiliation with the social work profession. Please indicate that which applies:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization ☒ Social Work Service Provider
☐ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization must have three (3) letters of references from any combination of the following:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization ☐ Social Work Service Provider
☐ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Section B: Continuing Education Program

Review and approval of continuing education applications from continuing education providers must be completed by a credentialed social worker. Identify the social worker assigned to administer this process for the organization.

Amber Cocchiola, LMSW
Name/Social Work Degree/Social Work Credential
Social Worker for North Oaks Hospice Department
Relationship to Organization
15790 Paul Vega MD Drive, Hammond, LA 70403
Mailing Address City/State Zip
985 / 230-7620 / 985-230-7636
Physical Address (if different from above) City/State Zip
Telephone Fax
cocchiola@northoaks.org
Email Address

Section C: Approval Guidelines, Process and Agreement

Protocol for receiving request for approval from education presenters:

- Organization will provide LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application to education presenters upon request.
- LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application may be mailed, faxed, sent electronically and/or published on Organization website.
- Organization will accept only LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Applications, completed in its entirety and accompanied by required documentation.

Process by which Organization will study and assess the proposed education offering:

- Organization will review application and supporting documentation to determine that it meets all standards and guidelines established in "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education."

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine timeline for administering the continuing education program.

- Describe time limit set for making a decision on an educational offering's suitability:

Time limit for making a decision on suitability of an educational offering will be made no less than 7 days and no greater than 30 days.

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine their own fees, if any, charged for these services.

- Describe fees agency will charge to process Continuing Education Applications:

A fee of \$20.00 per CE will be charged for participants who are not employed with the organization but may be waived by the Education Manager if the event is being hosted by the organization.

Section D: Authority

Submission of this signed application certifies that the Organization has studied the "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education," and determined that the Organization is prepared to assess continuing education opportunities by these guidelines on a timely bases; and has ample storage to maintain all continuing education records for a minimum of three years, and in accordance with Louisiana law. Organization understands that if approved, the organization will be given authority to pre-approve social work continuing education for three (3) years. After three (3) years, the organization shall reapply to the Board if interested in maintaining designation as a pre-approving body. Organization agrees to comply with scheduled LABSWE Continuing Education audits and submit a list of all approved programs to the board office for current collection period by July 15 of each year. Organization agrees to notify LABSWE within thirty (30) days if any information submitted on this application changes. Organization understands that approval is granted at the discretion of the Board and may be revoked if Organization is found to be out of compliance with any aspect of established guidelines.

This designation also designates the organization as an approved provider of continuing education. This designation will be authorized for three (3) years from the date LABSWE approves the application.

Cecilia J. Parnell RN
Signature of Director/President

2-25-2025
Date

Submit completed and signed application, along with three (3) reference letters, to:

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

For LABSWE office use only:

Application Received _____ Application Reviewed _____ Application Approved/Denied _____

Approval Expires _____

Revised 5/16

Ochsner
MD Anderson
Cancer Center

Making Cancer History

February 28, 2025

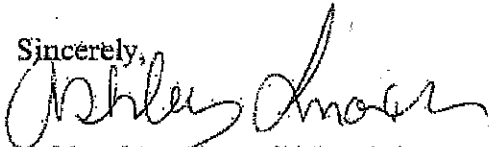
Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, LA 70809

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of North Oaks Health System to serve as a continuing education approval organization. This system employ many social workers. I have had the privilege of working with several social workers from this organization. They have maintained integrity and professionally with every encounter. North Oaks strives for their social workers to stay abreast of pertinent information in the social work profession which yields better patient results.

Thank you for your consideration of North Oaks Health System as a pre-approval organization for continuing education for social workers. For any further information, you can contact me at .

Sincerely,



Ashley Snowden, MSW, LCSW-BACS
Hematology/Oncology



January 22, 2025

To Whom it may concern,

I am writing today to recommend North Oaks Health System as a continuing education provider through our board of social work examiners. As a home health social worker, I work continuously with the case managers and social workers of North Oaks Health System. The case managers and social workers of North Oaks Health System are a vital resource in providing the highest level of care to our patients in their home environment. Please consider North Oaks as a source of continuing education as they are an integral part of our healthcare community. If I can be of further assistance, please contact me at _____ or _____ Thank you again.

Robyn Woodall, RSW

Robyn Woodall, RSW
Audubon Home Health



February 27, 2025

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in support of North Oaks Health System to continue its approval as a provider of continuing education units (CEUs) for social workers.

I currently serve as the Field Coordinator for the BSW Program at Southeastern Louisiana University. Throughout my experience with North Oaks Health System, I have consistently been impressed with the quality and relevance of their continuing education programs. The content presented demonstrates a commitment to providing social workers with the tools and knowledge necessary to enhance their skills and better serve their clients. The CEUs utilize diverse and engaging delivery methods that foster an active learning environment and knowledge retention.

The availability of high-quality CEU programs is essential for the professional development of social workers. North Oaks Health System plays a vital role in ensuring that social workers in our community have access to the education they need to maintain their licensure and provide competent services.

I strongly believe that North Oaks Health System meets the criteria for approved provider status. Their commitment to excellence in continuing education makes them a valuable resource for social workers; therefore, I recommend North Oaks Health System for continued approval as a provider of continuing education units for social workers.

Sincerely,

Ashley Woodard, MSW, LCSW-BACS
Field Coordinator/Instructor
ashley.woodard@slu.edu

Ashley Woodard, MSW, LCSW-BACS

PAGE BREAK

*** * * * ***

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
Application for Continuing Education Approval Organization

Section A: Organizational Information

<u>Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center</u>		
Name of Organization		
<u>Chuck Spicer</u>		
Name of Director/President		
<u>5000 Hennessy Blvd, Baton Rouge, LA 70808</u>		
Mailing Address	City/State	Zip
<hr/>		
Physical Address (if different from above)	City/State	Zip
<u>225 / 765-7727</u>	<u>/ 225-765-1238</u>	
<hr/>		
Telephone	Fax	
<u>Chuck.spicer@fmlhs.org</u>	<u>www.fmlhs.org</u>	
Email Address	Website	

Organization applying for *Continuing Education Approval Organization* status must have a significant and continual affiliation with the social work profession. Please indicate that which applies:

 Professional Social Work Organization X Social Work Service Provider
 CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization must have three (3) letters of references from any combination of the following:

 Professional Social Work Organization 2 Social Work Service Provider
 1 CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Section B: Continuing Education Program

Review and approval of continuing education applications from continuing education providers must be completed by a credentialed social worker. Identify the social worker assigned to administer this process for the organization.

<u>Tamela S. Aidt, LCSW-BACS, ACHP-SW</u>		
Name/Social Work Degree/Social Work Credential		
<u>Director Palliative and Supportive Care</u>		
Relationship to Organization		
<u>7777 Hennessy Blvd. Suite 503, Baton Rouge, LA 70808</u>		
Mailing Address	City/State	Zip
<hr/>		
Physical Address (if different from above)	City/State	Zip
<u>225 / 765-8996</u>	<u>/ 225-765-1842</u>	
<hr/>		
Telephone	Fax	
<u>tamela.aidt@fmlhs.org</u>		
Email Address		

Section C: Approval Guidelines, Process and Agreement

Protocol for receiving request for approval from education presenters:

- Organization will provide LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application to education presenters upon request.
- LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application may be mailed, faxed, sent electronically and/or published on Organization website.
- Organization will accept only LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Applications, completed in its entirety and accompanied by required documentation.

Process by which Organization will study and assess the proposed education offering:

- Organization will review application and supporting documentation to determine that it meets all standards and guidelines established in "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education."

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine timeline for administering the continuing education program.

- Describe time limit set for making a decision on an educational offering's suitability:

To request CEU Approval for educational events through Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical you must submit the following:

- A completed application
- Bio or CV for each presenter; if you are submitting more than 5 presenters for one educational offering, submit the Presenter Data Form instead.
- A copy of the certificate template which includes date, time, location, presenter(s), and the following phrase: This program was approved for (number of hours) (Type of hours) by Our Lady of the Lake.
- An agenda including start and end times and any breaks.
- A copy of the evaluation tool offered to all participants.
- A description of the educational offerings.
- A copy of any promotional materials.
- Learning objectives for each session.
- Payment according to the fee schedule below; contact Tamela.aidt@fmlhs.org to request an invoice to the corresponding offering be emailed.

After the organization has received all the documents listed above the organization will respond within 4 weeks of submission. If submitted less than four weeks a rush fee will be assessed.

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine their own fees, if any, charged for these services.


- Describe fees agency will charge to process Continuing Education Applications:

Standard one day – single presenter offering	\$ 75
Standard one day – multiple presenters offering	\$ 125
Multiple day - multiple presenters offering	\$ 150
Repeat presentation- up to one year of approval	\$ 25
Rush fee (in addition to the application fee)	\$ 25
Any changes requested after the review	\$ 25

Section D: Authority

Submission of this signed application certifies that the Organization has studied the "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education," and determined that the Organization is prepared to assess continuing education opportunities by these guidelines on a timely bases; and has ample storage to maintain all continuing education records for a minimum of three years, and in accordance with Louisiana law. Organization understands that if approved, the organization will be given authority to pre- approve social work continuing education for three (3) years. After three (3) years, the organization shall reapply to the Board if interested in maintaining designation as a pre- approving body. Organization agrees to comply with scheduled LABSWE Continuing Education audits and submit a list of all approved programs to the board office for current collection period by July 15 of each year. Organization agrees to notify LABSWE within thirty (30) days if any information submitted on this application changes. Organization understands that approval is granted at the discretion of the Board and may be revoked if Organization is found to be out of compliance with any aspect of established guidelines.

This designation also designates the organization as an approved provider of continuing education. This designation will be authorized for three (3) years from the date LABSWE approves the application.

 2/26/2025

Signature of Director/President Date

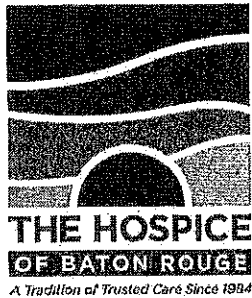
Submit completed and signed application, along with three (3) reference letters, to:

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

For LABSWE office use only:

Application Received _____ Application Reviewed _____ Application Approved/Denied _____
Approval Expires _____

Revised 5/16



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Gary McConnell
President

Andrew "Drew" Blanchfield
Vice President

Matthew Valliere
Treasurer/Secretary

Rose Marie Fife
Stephen Mumford
Father Ralph Howe
Theresa Thao Kumse
Susan Holliday
Karen Goodridge
Britt Drummond
Debbie Lowe
Clifford Schwartzburg, M.D.
Elizabeth Engolio
Prisha Patel
Deborah Johnson, M.D.
Alex Byo
Philip Plaisance

Warren Gottsegen, M.D.
Donald T.W. Phelps
Emeritus

Danielle McMechan, M.D.
Medical Director

Chaille Daniel, M.D.
Associate Medical Director

W. Keith Kellum, M.D.
Associate Medical Director

G. Douglas Say, M.D.
Associate Medical Director

Smitty Smith, M.D.
Associate Medical Director

Catherine M. Schendel
Chief Executive Officer

The Hospice of Baton Rouge
3600 Florida Boulevard
Baton Rouge, LA 70806
(225) 767-4673
Fax: (225) 769-8113
Toll Free: 888-447-0433
www.hospicebr.org

February 18th, 2025

To: Louisiana Board of Social Work Examiners,

I am pleased to recommend Tammi Aidt, MHA, LCSW-BACS, ACHP-SW, for approved provider status to grant social work continuing education hours at Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center (OLOL). OLOL is a reputable nonprofit organization since 1984, and a comprehensive network of hospitals, clinics, physicians, and integrated health services serving Baton Rouge and beyond.

I have had the privilege of working with Ms. Aidt as a professional colleague for the last 15 years during my social work career. She is a highly skilled and dedicated social worker whose professionalism aligns with the values and ethical standards set forth by the NASW Code of Ethics.

With an extensive background in medical social work, Tammi is known for her reliability, organization, and commitment to excellence. She consistently demonstrates a strong work ethic and maintains excellent relationships with colleagues, clients, and community partners. Her ability to provide thoughtful and high-quality education will be an asset to those seeking continuing education opportunities.

I strongly support Ms. Aidt's approval to oversee CEUs on behalf of OLOL and am confident in her ability to contribute meaningfully to the professional development of social workers in our field.

Sincerely,

Shelly D. Weaver, LCSW-BACS, ACHP-SW, APHSW-C
Director of Social Work and Civil Rights Compliance
The Hospice of Baton Rouge
Office: (225) 767-4673
Cell:



Mission: To provide end-of-life care and support in a home or homelike setting to patients and their loved ones.
Vision: To ensure that no one will ever die alone, in pain or discomfort.



Franciscan
Missionaries
of Our Lady
HEALTH SYSTEM

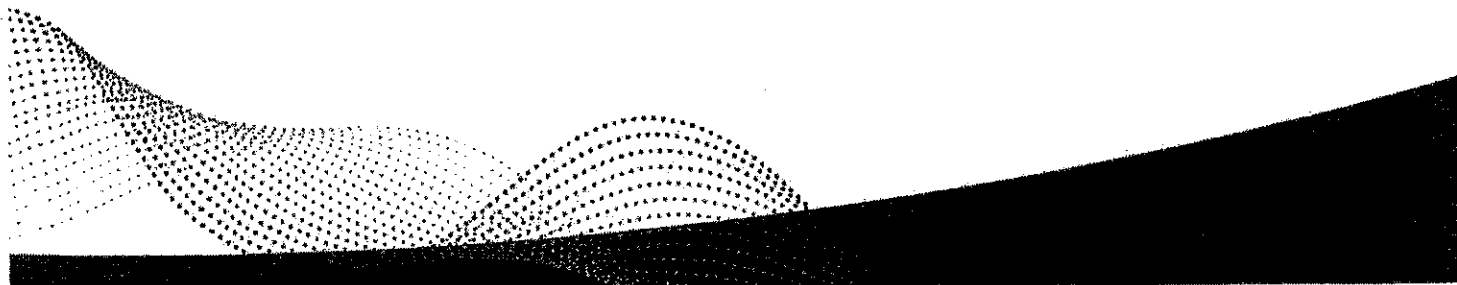
To Whom it may concern,

I recommend Tammi Aidt, LCSW-BACS to represent Our Lady of the Lake as an approving agency for CEU's for social workers. Her knowledge and expertise are an asset to our team in the Cancer Institute and throughout the organization, and we would like to ensure that we are able to provide this opportunity for our social workers as well as for other community education.

Continuing education is an integral part of the process for healthcare providers to continue to provide the necessary support for the patient population that we are blessed to serve. We value the opportunity to be part of this educational process with Mrs. Aidt serving as a facilitator of these offerings.

Thank you in advance for your support in approving. Please let me know if I may be of assistance.

Susan Foret MSHCM, BSN, RN, OCN
VP of Operations Cancer Institute
Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center
5000 Lakeside Boulevard Baton Rouge, LA 70802
225-765-8222 (x)





College of Human Sciences & Education
School of Social Work

February 26, 2025

RE: Reference Letter for CEU Provider Approval – Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center (OLOL)

Dear Louisiana Board of Social Work Examiners,

I am pleased to provide this reference for Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center (OLOL) as they seek approval as a Continuing Education Unit (CEU) provider through Louisiana Board of Social Work Examiners. Having worked closely with OLOL, I can confidently attest to their commitment to delivering high-quality educational programs that meet industry standards.

Under the leadership of Ms. Tammi Aidt, MHA, LCSW-BACS, ACHP-SW who oversees their CEU program, OLOL has developed a robust curriculum designed to enhance professional knowledge and skills in social work. Their courses cover essential topics relevant to social work education ensuring participants receive comprehensive and up-to-date training.

The organization maintains high instructional standards by employing experienced educators, utilizing structured learning methodologies, and implementing effective assessment tools to measure learning outcomes. Their dedication to educational excellence makes them a strong candidate for CEU provider approval.

I fully support Our Lady of the Lake in this endeavor and believe they will be a valuable addition to your list of approved CEU providers. Should you require any additional information, please feel free to contact me at _____ or _____

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Kifer Routon, MSW, LCSW
Assistant Director of Field Education

PAGE BREAK

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
Application for Continuing Education Approval Organization

Section A: Organizational Information

Prismatic Counseling, LLC		
Name of Organization		
Elizabeth Black, LCSW, LICSW		
Name of Director/President		
201 Rue Beauregard, STE 202,	Lafayette, LA	70508
Mailing Address	City/State	Zip
3414 Clematis St	New Orleans, LA	70122
Physical Address (if different from above)	City/State	Zip
504-264-5647	/	
Telephone	Fax	
elizabeth.black@prismatic-counseling.com	www.prismatic-counseling.com	
Email Address	Website	

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization status must have a significant and continual affiliation with the social work profession. Please indicate that which applies:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization ☒ Social Work Service Provider
☐ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization must have three (3) letters of references from any combination of the following:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization ☐ Social Work Service Provider
☐ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Section B: Continuing Education Program

Review and approval of continuing education applications from continuing education providers must be completed by a credentialed social worker. Identify the social worker assigned to administer this process for the organization.

Elizabeth Black, LCSW, LICSW		
Name/Social Work Degree/Social Work Credential		
Founder/Owner		
Relationship to Organization		
201 Rue Beauregard, STE 202,	Lafayette, LA	70508
Mailing Address	City/State	Zip
3414 Clematis St	New Orleans, LA	70122
Physical Address (if different from above)	City/State	Zip
504-264-5647	/	
Telephone	Fax	
elizabeth.black@prismatic-counseling.com		
Email Address		

Section C: Approval Guidelines, Process and Agreement

Protocol for receiving request for approval from education presenters:

- Organization will provide LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application to education presenters upon request.
- LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application may be mailed, faxed, sent electronically and/or published on Organization website.
- Organization will accept only LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Applications, completed in its entirety and accompanied by required documentation.

Process by which Organization will study and assess the proposed education offering:

- Organization will review application and supporting documentation to determine that it meets all standards and guidelines established in "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education."

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine timeline for administering the continuing education program.

- Describe time limit set for making a decision on an educational offering's suitability:

Decisions will be made and returned to applicants within 7 business days. Applicants will be contacted immediately if any barriers to this timeline are discovered.

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine their own fees, if any, charged for these services.

- Describe fees agency will charge to process Continuing Education Applications:

Applicants will be charged \$10 per credit hour requested, i.e., one CEU hour would be \$10, three CEU hours would be \$30.

Section D: Authority

Submission of this signed application certifies that the Organization has studied the "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education," and determined that the Organization is prepared to assess continuing education opportunities by these guidelines on a timely basis; and has ample storage to maintain all continuing education records for a minimum of three years, and in accordance with Louisiana law. Organization understands that if approved, the organization will be given authority to pre-approve social work continuing education for three (3) years. After three (3) years, the organization shall reapply to the Board if interested in maintaining designation as a pre-approving body. Organization agrees to comply with scheduled LABSWE Continuing Education audits and submit a list of all approved programs to the board office for current collection period by July 15 of each year. Organization agrees to notify LABSWE within thirty (30) days if any information submitted on this application changes. Organization understands that approval is granted at the discretion of the Board and may be revoked if Organization is found to be out of compliance with any aspect of established guidelines.

This designation also designates the organization as an approved provider of continuing education. This designation will be authorized for three (3) years from the date LABSWE approves the application.

Elizabeth C. Shupe

LCSW, LICSW

1/1/2025

Signature of Director/President

Date

Submit completed and signed application, along with three (3) reference letters, to:

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

For LABSWE office use only:

Application Received _____ Application Reviewed _____ Application Approved/Denied _____
Approval Expires _____

Revised 5/16

Lindsey Fields, DSW, JD, LCSW

February 11, 2025

Louisiana Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road
Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

Re: Elizabeth Black, LCSE, LICSW of Prismatic Counseling, LLC

Dear Members of the Board,

My experience with has Elizabeth Black, LCSW, LICSW of Prismatic Counseling, LLC been excellent. I have engaged professionally with Elizabeth Black for over a year and know them be dedicated to the mission of providing mental and behavior wellness services to the community. In addition to their dedication to providing quality service to clients, they are also committed to providing quality training for mental health professionals.

Please accept this letter in support of continued approval of Elizabeth Black, LCSW, LICSW of Prismatic Counseling, LLC as an authorized organization for the provision of Continuing Educational Programing.

Thank you,



Lindsey Fields, DSW, JD, LCSW

Dr. Shannon Poe LCSW, DSW

1909 S Dupre St,
New Orleans, LA

January 14, 2025

Dear LABSWE Board:

I am writing to you to recommend Elizabeth Black, LCSW to be approved as a CEU approver. She is an

excellent clinician and trainer. I have worked with her for the past ten years in various capacities. Elizabeth is highly intelligent and is able to share information with others in a way that is understandable. She often makes herself available to other clinicians for consults. Elizabeth is highly detailed in administrative tasks as well so there is no doubt that she will be able to assess potential CEU opportunities for clarity as well as keep necessary records. It is my hope that she will be approved.

Sincerely,

Dr. Shannon Poe, LCSW, DSW, CT.

Dr. Shannon Poe LCSW, DSW, CT



MKE Consulting

January 3, 2025

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

To Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased to write this letter supporting Elizabeth Black's application to approve continuing education courses for social workers in the State of Louisiana. I have had the privilege of being colleagues with Ms. Black for the past seven years in varying capacities.

I have directly observed her continued demonstration of sound judgment and a strong commitment to the core values of social work. She encompasses a wealth of knowledge, having served in roles in the criminal justice system, medical field, and as a therapist in private practice.

Ms. Black upholds the highest standards of professional behavior. I am confident in Ms. Black's expertise and give my strongest recommendation for her in this role.

Sincerely,

Mary Katherine Sullivan, LCSW, LICSW
MKE Consulting, LLC

PAGE BREAK

*** * * * ***

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners

Application for Continuing Education Approval Organization

Section A: Organizational Information

Southeastern Louisiana University Social Work Program
Name of Organization
Department Head, Health & Human Sciences/Jacqueline Guendouzi, PhD
Name of Director/President
Box 10863 Hammond/Louisiana 70402
Mailing Address City/State Zip
310 W. Dakota St. Hammond/Louisiana 70401
Physical Address (if different from above) City/State Zip
985/549-2309 985/549-3857
Telephone Fax
socialwork@selu.edu
Email Address Website

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization status must have a significant and continual affiliation with the social work profession. Please indicate that which applies:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization ☐ Social Work Service Provider
☒ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization must have three (3) letters of references from any combination of the following:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization ☒ Social Work Service Provider
☐ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Section B: Continuing Education Program

Review and approval of continuing education applications from continuing education providers must be completed by a credentialed social worker. Identify the social worker assigned to administer this process for the organization.

Jamie Magee, MSW, LCSW-BACS (License #4296)
Name/Social Work Degree/Social Work Credential
BSW Director
Relationship to Organization
Box 10863 Hammond/Louisiana 70402
Mailing Address City/State Zip
310 W. Dakota St. Hammond/Louisiana 70401
Physical Address (if different from above) City/State Zip
985/549-2309 985/549-3857
Telephone Fax
jamie.magee@selu.edu
Email Address

Section C: Approval Guidelines, Process and Agreement

Protocol for receiving request for approval from education presenters:

- Organization will provide LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application to education presenters upon request.
- LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application may be mailed, faxed, sent electronically and/or published on Organization website.
- Organization will accept only LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Applications, completed in its entirety and accompanied by required documentation.

Process by which Organization will study and assess the proposed education offering:

- Organization will review application and supporting documentation to determine that it meets all standards and guidelines established in "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education."

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine timeline for administering the continuing education program.

- Describe time limit set for making a decision on an educational offering's suitability:
Applicants must submit the CEU application and supportive documentation to the Southeastern Social Work Program (Jamie Magee) for review no later than 4 weeks prior to the date of the proposed event and allow for two (2) weeks processing.

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine their own fees, if any, charged for these services.

- Describe fees agency will charge to process Continuing Education Applications:
- There is no fee for this service (processing CEU applications).

Section D: Authority

Submission of this signed application certifies that the Organization has studied the "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education," and determined that the Organization is prepared to assess continuing education opportunities by these guidelines on a timely bases; and has ample storage to maintain all continuing education records for a minimum of three years, and in accordance with Louisiana law. Organization understands that if approved, the organization will be given authority to pre-approve social work continuing education for three (3) years. After three (3) years, the organization shall reapply to the Board if interested in maintaining designation as a pre-approving body. Organization agrees to comply with scheduled LABSWE Continuing Education audits and submit a list of all approved programs to the board office for current collection period by July 15 of each year. Organization agrees to notify LABSWE within thirty (30) days if any information submitted on this application changes. Organization understands that approval is granted at the discretion of the Board and may be revoked if Organization is found to be out of compliance with any aspect of established guidelines.

This designation also designates the organization as an approved provider of continuing education. This designation will be authorized for three (3) years from the date LABSWE approves the application.



Signature of Director/President

Date 2/3/2025

Submit completed and signed application, along with three (3) reference letters, to:

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

For LABSWE office use only:

Application Received _____ Application Reviewed _____ Application Approved/Denied _____
Approval Expires _____

Revised 5/16

OPTIONS

PREMIER SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Board of Directors

Carrie Mercke
President/CEO

Laurie Johnson
Chair

Sarah Mitchell
Vice-Chair

Eric Dosch
Secretary-Treasurer

Paul Titus III
Past Chair

Jay Burchfield
Matthew Cotton
Patrick Coudrain
Teresa Landry
John Martinez
John Poteet
Melanie Watkins

President Emeritus
Sylvia Bush



19362 W Shelton Rd
Hammond, LA 70401
985-345-6269
OPTIONS4U.ORG

January 16, 2025

Louisiana Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

Dear Esteemed Members of the Board,

I am writing this letter in support of the Southeastern Louisiana University Social Work Program as an approving organization for continuing education for social workers.

OPTIONS, Inc. employs social workers throughout our agency, and we have partnered with Southeastern for many years to provide educational opportunities to social work students and graduates.

The collective knowledge and skill of the social work faculty at Southeastern is shared with students each day, and I am pleased to continue supporting the faculty in extending their expertise to the larger social work community in the Hammond area.

In order for the social work staff at OPTIONS to obtain their necessary continuing education each year, many must drive to Baton Rouge or New Orleans to access trainings. It is a big help to OPTIONS and our social workers to have more offerings right here in the Hammond area.

I highly recommend that the Board consider and approve this renewal application.

Thank you,

Carrie Mercke, LCSW-BACS

Carrie Mercke, LCSW-BACS

Options, Inc.

President and CEO

HEATHER M. ZINNA, LCSW, LLC
D.B.A PLAYFUL HEARTS THERAPY

2206 RUE SIMONE
HAMMOND, LA 70403

JANUARY 25, 2025

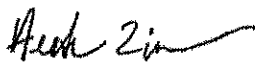
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I am writing on behalf of the Southeastern Louisiana University Social Work Program to support them in being a pre-approval organization for LABSWE. I am a graduate of Southeastern Louisiana University and a practicing Social Worker in the community. The SLU Social Work program provides opportunities for presentation and continuing education to local social workers and social work students.

Over the past few years, I have been fortunate to present for the program along with attending other workshops and trainings. The communication and preparation are exemplary and makes a new presenter, such as me, comfortable. Collaborating with them is easy since they are straight forward in what they need and give reminders of deadlines when needed. The program uses the evaluations from the presentations to provide needed required continuing education topics of interest to our local providers. The venue enables the presenters to engage with the audience and is set up well.

It is my hope that Southeastern Louisiana University continues to be a pre-approval organization for LABSWE so they are able to continue providing a much needed service to our area.

Warm regards,



HEATHER M. ZINNA, MSW, LCSW-BACS
REGISTERED PLAY THERAPIST-SUPERVISOR





Florida Parishes Human Services Authority

Livingston Parish
Brandon Browning
Carol Stafford, Vice Chair

St. Tammany Parish
David Duplantier
Timothy Lentz
Noble-Bates Young

Tangipahoa Parish
Genesa Garofalo Metcalf, M.D., Chair
Mona Pellicino

St. Helena Parish
Gary Porter

Executive Director
Richard J. Kramer

Washington Parish
Vacant

January 27, 2025

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809
Phone: 225-756-3470

Dear Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners,

I am writing to express my support for the Southeastern Louisiana University (SLU) Social Work program to continue as an approval organization for social work continuing education. The Social Work program at SLU has been accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE), the regulating body which is responsible for developing accreditation standards that define competent preparation of professional social workers, for over 20 years.

The social work program has also provided training and education to the Florida Parishes Human Services Authority behavioral-health network for years as well. Their work is integral in expanding the delivery of high quality behavioral-health services in this region. As stated on their website, "the mission of the social work program is to prepare students for entry level practice with diverse populations and populations at risk in rural and small communities." The program has a proven track record of professionally educating the students on responsible social work practice.

Over the years, the social work program has expanded opportunities of continuing education benefitting the field of social work throughout the Northshore area. I ask for you to approve their request to continue to be an approval organization for social work continuing education.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Kramer
Executive Director

FLORIDA PARISHES HUMAN SERVICES AUTHORITY- EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION
835 PRIDE DRIVE • SUITE B • HAMMOND, LOUISIANA 70401
PHONE (985) 643-4333 • FAX (985) 543-4817

www.fphsa.org

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Serving: Livingston, St. Helena, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, and Washington Parishes

Page
Break



Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners

Application for Continuing Education Approval Organization

REC'D MAR 14 2025

Section A: Organizational Information

Your Saturday CEU's
Name of Organization
Pamela Albers, LCSW, BACS
Name of Director/President
2120 Rose Dr. Gretna, La 70053
Mailing Address City/State Zip
Same
Physical Address (if different from above) City/State Zip
504 / 756-0543
Telephone Fax
palbersa017@gmail.com n/a
Email Address Website

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization status must have a significant and continual affiliation with the social work profession. Please indicate that which applies:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization ☒ Social Work Service Provider
☐ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Organization applying for Continuing Education Approval Organization must have three (3) letters of references from any combination of the following:

☐ Professional Social Work Organization ☒ Social Work Service Provider
☐ CSWE Accredited School of Social Work

Section B: Continuing Education Program

Review and approval of continuing education applications from continuing education providers must be completed by a credentialed social worker. Identify the social worker assigned to administer this process for the organization.

Pamela Albers, LCSW, BACS
Name/Social Work Degree/Social Work Credential
owner/director
Relationship to Organization
2120 Rose Dr. Gretna La 70053
Mailing Address City/State Zip
Same
Physical Address (if different from above) City/State Zip
504 / 756-0543
Telephone Fax
palbersa017@gmail.com
Email Address

Section C: Approval Guidelines, Process and Agreement

Protocol for receiving request for approval from education presenters:

- Organization will provide LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application to education presenters upon request.
- LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Application may be mailed, faxed, sent electronically and/or published on Organization website.
- Organization will accept only LABSWE Continuing Education Approval Applications, completed in its entirety and accompanied by required documentation.

Process by which Organization will study and assess the proposed education offering:

- Organization will review application and supporting documentation to determine that it meets all standards and guidelines established in "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education."

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine timeline for administering the continuing education program.

- Describe time limit set for making a decision on an educational offering's suitability:

1 week after receipt.

As each organization is structured and staffed differently, organizations shall determine their own fees, if any, charged for these services.

- Describe fees agency will charge to process Continuing Education Applications:

\$25 single day event
\$50 for events over 1 day.

Section D: Authority

Submission of this signed application certifies that the Organization has studied the "Criteria for Approving Continuing Education Offerings" and "Guide for Assessment of Continuing Education," and determined that the Organization is prepared to assess continuing education opportunities by these guidelines on a timely bases; and has ample storage to maintain all continuing education records for a minimum of three years, and in accordance with Louisiana law. Organization understands that if approved, the organization will be given authority to pre-approve social work continuing education for three (3) years. After three (3) years, the organization shall reapply to the Board if interested in maintaining designation as a pre-approving body. Organization agrees to comply with scheduled LABSWE Continuing Education audits and submit a list of all approved programs to the board office for current collection period by July 15 of each year. Organization agrees to notify LABSWE within thirty (30) days if any information submitted on this application changes. Organization understands that approval is granted at the discretion of the Board and may be revoked if Organization is found to be out of compliance with any aspect of established guidelines.

This designation also designates the organization as an approved provider of continuing education. This designation will be authorized for three (3) years from the date LABSWE approves the application.


Signature of Director/President

3/11/25
Date

Submit completed and signed application, along with three (3) reference letters, to:

Louisiana State Board of Social Work Examiners
18550 Highland Road, Suite B
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809

For LABSWE office use only:

Application Received _____ Application Reviewed _____ Application Approved/Denied _____

Approval Expires _____

Revised 5/16

5 Lyndell Court
Chalmette, LA 70043

February 26, 2025

LABSWE
18550 Highland Rd. Ste. B
Baton Rouge, LA 70809

To Whom it May Concern

I am writing this letter of reference at the request of Pamela Albers, owner/director of Your Saturday CEUs.

Ms. Albers has had many years of experience providing CEU workshops. I have attended some of those myself. They were quality workshops with relevant and timely information. I feel she has the expertise necessary to evaluate and approve applications for Continuing Education.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian S. LaBella LCSW BACS". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Brian S. LaBella, LCSW, BACS

LABSWE

18550 Highland Rd. Ste. B

Baton Rouge, LA 70809

March 5, 2025

To Whom It May Concern,

I am pleased to write this letter of recommendation for Pamela Albers, owner and director of Your Saturday CEUs.

I have known Ms. Albers for some time and have always been impressed by her thoughtfulness and ability to conceptualize ideas and theories in a clear and well-structured manner. Her expertise in the field makes her well-qualified to evaluate and approve applications for Continuing Education.

I am confident that her knowledge, professionalism, and dedication will make her an excellent CE provider. Please feel free to contact me if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Katie E. Kennedy', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Katie E. Kennedy, MSW, LCSW

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

LATOYA CANTRELL
MAYOR

GILBERT MONTAÑO
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

JENNIFER AVEGNO, MD
DIRECTOR OF HEALTH

JEANIE DONOVAN, MPH, MPA
DEPUTY DIRECTOR

MESHAWN SIDDIQ, MPH, CLC, HBCE, DOULA
DEPUTY DIRECTOR

LABSWE
18550 Highland Rd. Ste. B
Baton Rouge, LA, 70809

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter of reference at the request of Pamela Albers, owner/director of Your Saturday CEUs.

I have had the distinct pleasure of knowing Ms. Albers for over a decade in various professional capacities. She is a highly experienced social worker, mentor, and supervisor with a great deal of passion and commitment to the social work profession and the community at large. In regard to CEU workshops, Ms. Albers has many years of experience as a CEU workshop provider, and I have had the opportunity to attend several of those sessions myself. Ms. Albers offers current, relevant, and interesting content in a health literate and engaging way and her workshops come highly recommended. I am confident that she has the expertise necessary to evaluate and approve applications for Continuing Education. She comes with my highest recommendation.

Sincerely,



Jodi E. Dyer, MSW, LCSW, BACS (License #12693)
Director of Quality, Performance, and Planning
New Orleans Health Department
1300 Perdido Street
New Orleans, LA, 70112
jedyer@nola.gov
504.658.2563

"An Equal Opportunity Employer"

1300 PERDIDO STREET | SUITE 8E18 | NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA | 70112
PHONE 504.658.2598 | FAX 504.658.2520



PAGE BREAK

*** * * * ***