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Family Counseling Center announces conference April 4-5 in Poplar Bluff

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The Family Counseling Center in Kennett is jump-starting new projects and ideas for the upcoming year and making innovative changes to demonstrate the systems projects.

The Missouri Department of Mental Health and the Family Counseling Center are "Rethinking Mental Illness" with a Procovery Conference that is scheduled for April 4-5, in Poplar Bluff, Mo.

As a kickoff to an innovative Procovery through Recovery System Change Demonstration Project, the Missouri Department of Mental Health and Family Counseling Center in Poplar Bluff and Kennett are bringing Kathleen Crowley, a nationally renowned writer and speaker from California and author of the book "The Power of Procovery in Healing Mental Illness: Just Start Anywhere", to Poplar Bluff.

Crowley will conduct two one-day trainings, April 4-5, on applying Procovery principles and strategies for transforming the lives of individuals with serious mental illnesses.

The Procovery through Recovery Demonstration Project focuses on using the Procovery model to work with consumers, families, providers, and communities to promote recovery through changing attitudes, building hope, and building skills.

Family Counseling was selected as one of only two lead organizations statewide for the demonstration project.

"It is easy to feel paralyzed by what seems an overwhelming task of overcoming a serious mental illness," Crowley said. "By studying individuals who have succeeded in overcoming mental illness. We have identified basic inspirational principles and concrete, practical, proven strategies that don't cost more, and don't take more time," Crowley added.

"Instead you use the power that all individuals have --



consumers, family members, community members, and staff, regardless of the limitations of symptoms and systems," Crowley said.

"Regardless of whether an individual can recover in the traditional sense of returning to a prior state of health, the individuals can move forward to Procovery, where they can find and build new dreams and purposes in life," Crowley added.

Family Counseling Center is pleased to be chosen to participate in this innovative mental health/substance abuse Procovery Demonstration Project," Myra Callahan, executive director of Family Counseling Center, said.

"As positive concepts and practical skills are incorporated through Procovery training with staff and communications with the community and stockholders, the new paradigm that focuses on life beyond the limitations of mental illness should be welcomed," Callahan added.

The kickoff training conferences are open to consumers, family members, providers, faculty, students, and community leaders at no charge.

The two day conferences are being held at the Black River Coliseum on Monday, April 4, for consumers and family, and on Tuesday, April 5, for staff and interested members of the public.

Since its incorporation in 1976, Family Counseling Center has been involved in alcohol and drug abuse counseling, psychiatric services including housing and other consumer supports, prevention and education.

Each year the capacity of the programs has grown as well as the staff. And each year more needs, having been identified in the area, are being addressed in a more comprehensive manner.

Family Counseling Center provides inpatient, residential, and outpatient services.

The agency offers an array of behavioral health services both on an individual and group basis.

Family Counseling Center is committed to providing the most comprehensive behavioral health care to all citizens of the Southeast Missouri area.

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