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Catawba Social Services Awarded Three-Year CARF Accreditation

(Hickory, NC) — CARF International announced that Catawba County Social Services has been accredited for a period of three years for its Family NET, Residential, Therapeutic Foster Care and Day Treatment programs. Specifically accredited were the Integrated Assessment and Referral programs and Mental Health Case Management/Services Coordination programs for adults, children, and adolescents, as well as their Integrated Mental Health Day Treatment programs Intensive Family-Based Mental Health Services, and Out-of-home Mental Health Treatment programs for children and adolescents. This is the 1st Three-Year Accreditation that the international accrediting body has awarded to Catawba County Social Services/Family NET.

This accreditation decision represents the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an organization and shows the organization's substantial conformance to the CARF standards. An organization receiving a Three-Year Accreditation has put itself through a rigorous peer review process and has demonstrated to a team of surveyors during an on-site visit that its programs and services are of the highest quality, measurable, and accountable.

Family N.E.T. is a division of Catawba County Social Services with offices at the First Plaza Building on Tate Blvd. It has been providing mental health services in Catawba County since July of 2004. Family N.E.T. was designed to address the therapeutic needs of children and families, especially those involved with child welfare, juvenile court, and families with limited incomes.

CARF is an independent, nonprofit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process that centers on enhancing the lives of the persons served. Founded in 1966 as the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, and now known as CARF, the accrediting body establishes consumer-focused standards to help organizations measure and improve the quality of their programs and services.

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