



Henderson Behavioral Health Receives Grant from Paul Palank Memorial Foundation to Support Abused & Neglected Youth

Fort Lauderdale, Florida (July 28, 2011) – Henderson Behavioral Health (HBH), South Florida's oldest and largest not-for-profit behavioral healthcare system, was awarded a \$50,000 grant from the Paul Palank Memorial Foundation.

This generous funding will be used to benefit youth who live in Henderson's group homes, children in foster care and children living with their families who have been or are at risk of being abused and/or neglected. It will help these youth in meeting their individualized treatment goals and enhancing their quality of life. The grant will be used to engage the youth in activities that peers of their same age, sex and race are typically involved in. For example, pro-social activities such as karate, music lessons, and organized sports teams. Funding will also be used so they can participate in normal hallmark school functions like: purchasing school pictures, attending field trips, buying yearbooks, attending prom and graduation celebrations. In addition, funds are used to provide emergency financial assistance to youth and families that are experiencing the threat of foreclosure, eviction, and/or termination of utilities. Pressures of this type often contributes toward child abuse.

"This funding is so important and fills a large gap, so our kids can get the support they need to be successful," stated Henderson Behavioral Health CEO, Dr. Steven Ronik. A check presentation was held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 28th at Henderson's Administrative Offices in Lauderdale Lakes, Florida. Please see photo below.

The Paul Palank Memorial Foundation helps assure the safety and protection of abused, neglected and abandoned children in the Broward and Miami-Dade communities. The Foundation funds organizations that offer effective, long-term and creative solutions that address the immediate needs of children in crisis. www.palankfoundation.org/

Henderson Behavioral Health (HBH) is a private, not-for-profit behavioral healthcare system providing comprehensive, recovery-focused services to more than 20,000 people of all ages every year. HBH provides a continuum of high quality, community-based preventions, and education, treatment and rehabilitation services and utilizes clinical best practices and evidence-based treatment models to maximize recovery. For more than 50 years, HBH has helped people in south Florida discover new beginnings in their lives. Visit Henderson at www.hendersonbehavioralhealth.org



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Henderson Behavioral Health CEO, Dr. Steven Ronik, receives check from Palank Foundation Director, Lisa Stamp

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