

FAYETTE COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION ADVISORY BOARD COMMUNITY RECOGNITION AWARDS



Pictured above left to right: Commissioner Dave Lohr, Lisa A. Ferris, Michael Quinn, Commissioners Vince Vicites and Angela Zimmerlink.

On December 14, 2017 at the Public Service Building, the Fayette County Commissioners and Fayette County Behavioral Health Administration’s CEO-Lisa A. Ferris presented Michael Quinn with this years Fayette County Advisory Board Community Recognition Award.

Mr. Quinn stays constantly involved with working to improve the livelihoods of individuals in the community as CEO of Chestnut Ridge Counseling Services, Inc. He is especially deserving of this award because of the hours he spends doing volunteer work. For many years Mike has been a continuing support for the Miracle League of Pennsylvania’s Laurel Highlands Baseball Teams by being pitcher for the games and helping to facilitate their end of season banquet celebrations. Mike is very hands on with helping out the community. He assisted with the clean up after a recent flood in the Connellsville area.

His nominee denotes the most significant impact of Mike’s contributions to the Mental Health/Intellectual Disability system is by volunteering amidst the Community at large, he is able to assess situations in greater detail which allows him to see more clearly the big picture within the community in which, on a professional level, he brings the most important and needed services. On an individual level, Mr. Quinn is able to and regularly does provide comfort to families while referring them in many cases, to much needed services and supports throughout the community that he knows so well from the inside out.



Pictured above left to right: Commissioner Dave Lohr, Kim Schuessler, Diana Heneks, Commissioners Vince Vicites and Angela Zimmerlink.

Kim A. Schuessler, a licensed social worker also received a Fayette County Behavioral Health Advisory Board Community Recognition Award on December 14, 2017. The award acknowledges the extraordinary contributions of a particular Fayette County resident or organization that is linked directly to a Human Service system of care.

Kim is said to have never given up on helping any patient in need. She perseveres until they have been afforded the treatment they need; connecting them to the right treatment provider. She is compassionate and genuine in her interactions with patients and their support system. Kim has been dedicated to children and adults who have mental health challenges and needs. She is culturally competent and possesses an innate ability to meet the patient where they are. She advocates for the patient and will go to any length needed to help them improve.

When receiving her award, Kim stated she feels fortunate to be able to do the work she was put on this earth to do.

Congratulations to Mike and Kim for receiving this much deserved recognition.

