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West Central Behavioral Health

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West Central Behavioral Health Announces Leadership Service Award for 2022

Claremont, Lebanon, and Newport, NH – West Central Behavioral Health, the community mental health center for lower Grafton County (Upper Valley region) and Sullivan County, announces its annual award recipient for 2022.

The Lilla McLane-Bradley Award for Mental Health Advocacy

Awarded to Chris Christopolous, Jr, the City of Lebanon Fire Chief and Emergency Management Director for his commitment to advance the cause of mental health and substance use disorder awareness and crisis response services throughout our region, in concert with other State and local officials and community members. Chief Christopolous shares those values that motivate West Central staff members to treat clients with compassion and expert care. He continues to make significant contributions through his work regionally and throughout the City of Lebanon. His multi-year commitment to Paddlepower, West Central’s suicide awareness community event, and his ongoing efforts to ensure community members are safe and cared for in times of crisis make Chief Christopolous a role model for others who serve our communities as volunteers and professionals. Established in 2007, this award honors a community member who embodies the volunteer spirit and service for which McLane-Bradley—a founder of West Central—is remembered. (For additional information visit: <https://www.wcbh.org/awards/>)

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Lebanon Fire Chief Chris Christopolous, Jr. (2nd from left), receives the 2022 Lilla McLane-Bradley Award from Doug Williamson, MD, (left) chair of the West Central Behavioral Health Board of Directors. Lori Christopolous (2nd from right) and Roger Osmun, PhD, (right) CEO & President of West Central were also present, as were West Central Board of Director members. (photo by Dave Celone, July 25, 2022)

West Central Behavioral Health is the non-profit community mental health center for the Upper Valley and Sullivan County, NH regions. It ensures access to advanced counseling, treatment, and support for people of all ages and income levels. Its vision is to eliminate the stigma associated with mental illness and substance use disorders so people will seek out help when they need it most.

With locations in Claremont, Lebanon, and Newport, NH, West Central offers adult outpatient services, child & family services, early childhood services, substance use services, 24/7 mobile crisis services, integrated care, and residential services. The NH Rapid Response crisis hotline is 833-710-6477. Learn more online at: www.wcbh.org.

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