

August 22, 2022

Steven W. Howard, EdD  
WACOSA  
310 Sundial Drive  
Waite Park, MN 56387

Dear Dr. Howard:

It is my pleasure to inform you that WACOSA has been issued CARF accreditation based on its recent survey. The Three-Year Accreditation applies to the following program(s)/service(s):

Community Employment Services: Employment Supports  
Community Employment Services: Job Development  
Community Integration  
Community Integration (Autism Spectrum Disorder-Adults)  
Community Integration (Older Adults)  
Employment Planning Services  
Organizational Employment Services  
*Governance Standards Applied*

This accreditation will extend through August 31, 2025. This achievement is an indication of your organization's dedication and commitment to improving the quality of the lives of the persons served. Services, personnel, and documentation clearly indicate an established pattern of conformance to standards.

The accreditation report is intended to support a continuation of the quality improvement of your organization's program(s)/service(s). It contains comments on your organization's strengths as well as any consultation and recommendations. A Quality Improvement Plan (QIP) demonstrating your organization's efforts to implement the survey recommendation(s) must be submitted within the next 90 days to retain accreditation. The QIP form is posted on Customer Connect ([customerconnect.carf.org](https://customerconnect.carf.org)), CARF's secure, dedicated website for accredited organizations and organizations seeking accreditation. Please log on to Customer Connect and follow the guidelines contained in the QIP form.

Your organization should take pride in achieving this high level of accreditation. CARF will recognize this accomplishment in its listing of organizations with accreditation and encourages your organization to make its accreditation known throughout the community. Communication of the accreditation to your referral and funding sources, the media, and local and federal government officials can promote and distinguish your organization. Enclosed are some materials that will help you publicize this achievement.

Your organization's complimentary accreditation certificate will be sent separately. You may order additional certificates from Customer Connect (<https://customerconnect.carf.org>).

If you have any questions regarding your organization's accreditation or the QIP, you are encouraged to seek support from Leshan Mitchell by email at [lmitchell@carf.org](mailto:lmitchell@carf.org) or telephone at (888) 281-6531, extension 7104.

CARF encourages your organization to continue fully and productively using the CARF standards as part of its ongoing commitment to accreditation. CARF commends your organization's commitment and consistent efforts to improve the quality of its program(s)/service(s) and looks forward to working with your organization in its ongoing pursuit of excellence.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian J. Boon Ph.D." in a cursive script.

Brian J. Boon, Ph.D.  
President/CEO

Enclosures