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## **Kentucky's Chrysalis House Receives National Healthcare Award from Industry Leaders**

***Healthcare Leadership Council Honors Chrysalis House with the 2019 Redefining American Healthcare Award***

LEXINGTON, Kentucky – The Healthcare Leadership Council, a coalition of health industry leaders from all health sectors, honored Chrysalis House with the *Redefining American Healthcare Award* during the 12<sup>th</sup> annual SHOWcase event October 8, 2019.

Chrysalis House specializes in treating pregnant and parenting women with substance use disorders. It recognizes that substance use rehabilitation is not solely about breaking an addiction, and also provides mental health treatment, case management, domestic violence counseling, computer training, GED tutoring, vocational training and job placement assistance, access to medical care, housing assistance, and children's services. Chrysalis House understands the benefits of collaborating with community partners, and maintains contracts with over 70 local contracts or agreements. Supportive Housing Opportunities for Women (SHOW) is one example of the community working together to achieve safe, decent, affordable housing that is critical for long-term success as women and their families leave the treatment setting.

"We are honored to receive Healthcare Leadership Council's *Redefining American Healthcare Award* and appreciate the recognition of positive, effective community work, said Lisa Minton executive director at Chrysalis House. "Our tremendous staff, board, community partners and residents work tirelessly to support better, healthier lives for individuals, families and the community – one day at a time."

"The breadth of this program underscores the important role social determinants of health play in one's overall well-being," said Debbie Witchey, executive vice president and chief operating officer at the Healthcare Leadership Council. "Chrysalis House exemplifies how to utilize and engage community resources to enhance the treatment that women who struggle with addiction need. Its dedication to helping women overcome substance use disorders and give them the tools to effectively support their families in the long-term has resulted in a higher standard of care that should be replicated across the country."

"To achieve lasting results in overcoming the opioid epidemic affecting communities and families across Kentucky, we must focus our efforts on prevention and treatment that looks toward long-term recovery through housing, job placement, financial literacy, and life skills training," said Congressman Andy Barr. "I am proud to represent Chrysalis House, as it embodies this mission and provides crucial resources for women to live a life free from addiction. I will continue to fight for resources for organizations, like Chrysalis House, who support women in all stages of their recovery journey."

The Healthcare Leadership Council created the "Redefining American Healthcare Award" to recognize best practices and programs in communities and organizations across the nation that optimize care for high-need patients. Award recipients are organizations developing and activating cost-effective, measurable community programs promoting a patient-centered approach to care that considers outside social factors in order to achieve the best outcomes.