



EAGLE Recognized as an Approved Accreditor for QRTP under the Family First Prevention Services Act

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Frederick, MD – May 15, 2019 – EAGLE Accreditation has been recognized by the Federal Government as an approved accreditor for Qualified Residential Treatment Programs (QRTP) under the Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA).

The FFPSA legislation, which passed in February 2018, mandates that all Residential Treatment Providers become accredited to become Qualified Residential Treatment Programs by October 1, 2019. Under the new law, after the first two weeks of child placement, only “specified settings” outside of foster family homes are eligible for reimbursement through Title IV-E foster care funds.

EAGLE Accreditation has been designated as an approved accrediting body in recognition of its standards of excellence in quality.

“After review of the standards used by EAGLE..., HHS approved EAGLE as an alternate accrediting agency for QRTP purposes,” according to a memo from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. HHS confirmed last week that the approval of the EAGLE standards is applicable across jurisdictions.

EAGLE, which stands for Educational Assessment Guidelines Leading toward Excellence (EAGLE), is the only faith-based accrediting body in the country. It focuses on ministries serving older adults, children, youth and families, and developmentally disabled with emphasis on excellence, quality and how applicant organizations incorporate their Christian mission, religious heritage and values throughout the organization and its daily operations. Since 1984, EAGLE Accreditation has incrementally evolved as a unique, voluntary, self-assessment, peer review program for faith-based organizations.

The EAGLE Accreditation Program is led by the EAGLE Accreditation Commission and operated by the United Methodist Association of Health and Welfare Ministries (UMA).

For more information on EAGLE accreditation, please visit the EAGLE website at <http://eagle1.org/> or email eagle@ouruma.org.

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