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Origami Recognized by International Commission for Work Helping Brain Injury Survivors

Lansing Area Brain Injury Rehabilitation Center Praised by CARF for Work Helping Patients Recover, Transition back to Work after Serious Injury

LANSING—Origami Brain Injury Rehabilitation Center today proudly announced that it has been recognized by the International Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) for its work helping local families recover from brain injuries. Origami earned a 3 year re-accreditation from CARF for programs including Origami’s residential, outpatient, and community based programs as well as vocational services offered to brain injury survivors. Origami received an exemplary status, a status granted for exceptional service, for its recent expansion and renovation.

“This achievement is an indication of Origami’s dedication and commitment to improving the quality of the lives of (brain injury survivors),” said Brian Boon, Ph.D., the President and CEO of CARF, while announcing the recognition. “Services, personnel, and documentation clearly indicate an established pattern of practice excellence (at Origami).”

Origami is a nonprofit organization located on a 35 acre wooded campus in Mason, just outside of Lansing. The facility offers a continuum of care for individuals who have sustained a brain injury, from residential to community-based and outpatient programs with the resources available to return people to productive and active lives.

“Origami is proud to be recognized by an organization like CARF but even more proud that so many local families entrust us to help care for and rehabilitate their loved ones after a brain injury,” said Tammy Hannah, OTRL, CBIS, Executive Director at Origami Brain Injury Rehabilitation Center.

Brain injuries can be mild to severe and often corresponds with a temporary loss of consciousness and impacts to brain function such as memory loss. The injury may also affect a person's physical functioning, thinking skills, and behavior. These effects can manifest themselves in other difficulties as well, like anxiety, depression, dizziness, headaches, inability to start or finish tasks or trouble sleeping, all of which can bring about challenges with relationships both in the home and on the job.

Individuals with loved ones who were involved in an accident or hit their head and show the signs of a brain injury are advised to seek medical attention immediately.

Origami operates in partnership with the Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine and Peckham, Inc. With the support of these partners, Origami is able to generate excellent clinical outcomes with cost effective management and remains on the cutting edge of brain injury rehabilitation.

To learn more about the services available at Origami please call (517) 455-0264. Additional information about Origami can be found online at www.OrigamiRehab.org.