



## **Council on Accreditation Reaccredits Lexington Center for Recovery**

**Poughkeepsie, NY and Mount Kisco, NY - (January 28, 2008)** - Lexington Center for Recovery (LCR), one of the leading providers of alcohol and substance abuse treatment in the Hudson Valley, today announced that its Poughkeepsie Methadone clinic has been reaccredited by the Council on Accreditation (COA).

COA is an independent, not-for-profit accrediting body of the full continuum of community-based behavioral health care and social service organizations. COA's mission is to partner with human service organizations worldwide to improve service delivery outcomes by developing, applying, and promoting accreditation standards.

The COA accreditation process involves a detailed review and analysis of an organization's administrative operations and service delivery against national standards of best practice. These standards include human resources, financial and risk management and performance quality improvement as well as thirty-nine service specific standards. COA's service standards address a full array of child, family and behavioral healthcare services including financial and debt management, employee assistance program, mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment, foster care, and health service areas among others.

Counselors in LCR's Methadone clinic treat adults who are dependent on opium, heroin, morphine or any derivative or similar synthetic drug. Treatment combines Methadone dosing, medical monitoring and counseling, and patients receive annual medical and psychiatric evaluations.

"The COA's accreditation process is extremely meticulous. While being treated, our clients can be assured that they are receiving proper treatment with the highest quality of care," said Adrienne Marcus, Ph.D., executive director of Lexington Center for Recovery. "We are pleased to be recognized as one of Dutchess County's premier treatment facilities."

The COA's accreditation brings Lexington Center for Recovery into the COA Community of Excellence, which includes more than 1,800 public and private organizations that serve more than six million individuals and families throughout North America.

LCR's Methadone clinic is licensed by the U.S. Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency, the New York State Department of Health and the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services.

LCR's administrative headquarters is located at 116 Radio Circle, Mt. Kisco, NY. Westchester County clinics and programs are located in Mount Kisco, NY; New Rochelle, NY; Yonkers, NY; White Plains, NY; and Peekskill, NY. The agency's

Dutchess County clinics are located in Poughkeepsie and Beacon, NY. Rockland County treatment facilities will be located at 100 Route 59, Airmont and at 90 New Main Street, Haverstraw. For additional information, call 914.666.0191 x1006 or visit [www.lexingtonctr.org](http://www.lexingtonctr.org).

**About Lexington Center for Recovery** : Lexington Center for Recovery is one of the largest providers of alcoholism and substance abuse treatment in the Hudson Valley. It has treated approximately 30,000 people in its 25-year history and has 18 distinct programs throughout Westchester and Dutchess counties. A vital community resource, LCR eliminates barriers to entry and success in an alcohol and substance abuse recovery program by providing support services to clients and their families. Its innovative programs are affordable and aimed at different needs and ages. LCR is licensed by the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services.

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