

## For Immediate Release

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## Lökahi Treatment Centers awarded Three-Year CARF Accreditation

The Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) International announced that Lōkahi Treatment Centers has been accredited for a period of three years for its Integrated Outpatient Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services. The three year accreditation applies to the following programs: Outpatient Treatment Integrated Alcohol and other Drugs and Mental Health services for adults, children and adolescents, and criminal justice. The latest accreditation is the fifth consecutive Three-Year Accreditation that the international accrediting body, CARF, has awarded to Lōkahi Treatment Centers.

This accreditation decision represent the highest level of accreditation that can be awarded to an organization and shows the organization's substantial conformance to CARF standards. An organization receiving a Three-Year Accreditation has put itself through a rigorous peer review process and has demonstrated to a team of surveyors, during an on-site visit, its commitment to offering programs and services that are measurable, accountable, and of the highest quality.

Lōkahi Treatment Centers is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization founded in 2001 by Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Jamal Wasan, Ph.D. Over the course of fifteen years, the organization has grown from its initial sole office in Waikoloa to six office locations throughout Hawaiʻi Island in Hilo, Honokaʻa, Kohala, Kailua-Kona, Pāhoa, and Waikoloa. To learn more about Lōkahi Treatment Centers programs and services, please visit: <a href="https://www.lokahitreatmentcenters.net">www.lokahitreatmentcenters.net</a>

## What is CARF?

CARF is an independent, nonprofit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process and continuous improvement services that center on enhancing the lives of the persons served. Founded in 1966 as the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, and now known as CARF International, the accrediting body establishes consumer-focused standards to help organizations measure and improve the quality of their programs and services. For more information about the accreditation process, please visit the CARF International website at: www.carf.org