

HSC STAFF PRESENT AT NATIONAL CONFERENCES

Two staff members of HSC made presentations at nationwide conferences. On September 24th, Richard Stephens, HSC's Supervisor of Adult Case Management Services, made a presentation at the National Case Management Conference in Duluth, Minnesota. The topic of his presentation: Enabling versus Empowering was attended by 100 conference attendees. Over 750 people participated in the conference.

On September 25th, Steve Plyler, the Center's Director of Residential Services made a presentation at the National Fairweather Lodge Conference that was held in Erie, PA. (The Fairweather Lodge housing model is, according to Plyler, a fairly new approach to managing group homes for mentally ill adults.) Plyler's presentation was attended by 35 people. Plyler also serves on The Coalition for Community Living (CCL), the national organization whose mission is to promote Fairweather Lodge housing.

Dr. Dennis Nebel, HSC's Executive Director, noted that the presentations made by Plyler and Stephens were a credit to the agency. "I'm proud that the Center has such a strong presence with organizations that have a national scope. The professionalism of our staff and the innovative programs of the Center have consistently drawn statewide and national recognition," stated Nebel.