

December 4, 2019

Texas Health and Human Services Commission Community Mental Health Grant Reviewers

To whom it may concern:

This letter is written in support of Prelude Clubhouse's application for funding through the Texas HHS Community Mental Health Grant Program. LifePath Systems (the Local Behavioral Health Authority for Collin County) values its partnership with Prelude Clubhouse and fully supports their application.

Clubhouses offer a vital and unique part of the system of care. In addition, the Clubhouse can often be the lifeline that connects individuals in desperate situations to others who will reach out and can understand their needs/trauma. We would like to see the clubhouse model expanded throughout Texas and commit to partnering more fully with Prelude Clubhouse for the areas we serve as they grow.

Thank you for this opportunity, and for your time and efforts when reviewing Prelude Clubhouse's application for funding. We highly recommend its approval.

Sincerely,

J. Randy Routon, Ph.D. Chief Executive Officer



April 27, 2017

## To Whom it May Concern:

LifePath Systems is the Local Behavioral Health Authority (LBHA) for Collin County and the largest provider of mental health services in the county. As the LBHA we are responsible for a set of contractually-defined services through our agreement with the Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

One of the missing elements to a full continuum of care in Texas is the suite of services that one would find in a clubhouse model program. We are excited about the development of Prelude, the new clubhouse in our county and its "recovery" orientation. Individuals with serious mental illnesses need opportunities to develop skills, have peer supports and continue to grow and learn to manage their illness. A clubhouse allows and encourages that. We look forward to developing a strong supportive relationship between LifePath's clinical services and Prelude.

We understand Prelude is now partnering with a similar clubhouse to assist each other and think that is a wise and efficient use of resources. Please support this effort in any way possible.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

J. Randy Routon, Ph.D. Chief Executive Officer