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## Lakeview Center psychiatrist named statewide Medical Professional of the Year 2022

Pensacola, Fla. (August 18, 2022) – Lakeview Center psychiatrist Annie Cherian, M.D., has been selected by the Florida Behavioral Health Association as the Medical Professional of the Year. Inspired by her deep commitment to improving the lives of those who live in and around Northwest Florida, the selection committee was unanimous in selecting Dr. Cherian as the winner.

Dr. Cherian is a Doctor of Medicine with a specialization in psychiatry. In her 43-year career, she has overseen approximately 200 inpatient beds at three facilities, including a community hospital psychiatric unit, an acute stabilization unit and a state mental hospital. She has also served as medical director guiding a team of more than 30 psychiatric medical staff at Lakeview Center, including physicians and mid-level practitioners.

“If ever a person has a gift for psychiatry, it is Dr. Cherian,” said Shawn Salamida, president, Lakeview Center Behavioral Health Services. “She has shaped the tone of interventions within our organization and our community, laid the foundation for our culture and improved countless lives.”

Learn more about some of the services provided by the Lakeview Center team at [eLakeviewCenter.org](http://eLakeviewCenter.org).



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*About Lakeview Center, Inc. Behavioral Health*

*The Mission of Lakeview Behavioral Health is to help people throughout life's journey. We specialize in providing effective, research-based services for children and adults with mental illnesses, drug and alcohol dependencies, and intellectual disabilities. Our services range from inpatient and residential treatment to outpatient counseling, psychiatry, case management, day treatment, and round-the-clock support for those with serious mental illnesses. Additionally, Lakeview Behavioral Health provides specialized trauma services, medication-assisted treatment for opiate dependency, and medically supervised drug and alcohol detoxification. In all, Lakeview Behavioral Health offers more than 60 programs and services for people in the northwest Florida area. To learn more, go online to [eLakeviewCenter.org](http://eLakeviewCenter.org).*

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