



Shepherd Center

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CARF International
6951 East Southpoint Road
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Dear CARF Leadership,

On behalf of Shepherd Center, I am honored to congratulate CARF International on the remarkable milestone of your 60th anniversary.

For six decades, CARF has been a driving force in advancing quality, accountability, and continuous improvement across health and human services. Your steadfast commitment to promoting person-centered care and setting rigorous standards has helped organizations around the world strengthen outcomes and enhance the lives of those they serve.

At Shepherd Center, we have long valued the role CARF plays in fostering excellence in rehabilitation and specialty healthcare. The accreditation process challenges organizations not only to meet high standards, but also to embrace a culture of learning, innovation, and continuous improvement. Through your leadership, countless providers have been empowered to deliver safer, more effective, and more compassionate care.

As one of the nation's leading rehabilitation hospitals serving individuals with spinal cord injury, brain injury, stroke, multiple sclerosis, and other complex neurological conditions, Shepherd Center recognizes the profound impact that CARF has had on our field. Your work has helped elevate rehabilitation services and reinforced a shared commitment to improving quality of life and maximizing independence for those we serve.

As you celebrate this important anniversary, we extend our gratitude for your vision, leadership, and enduring dedication to quality. We are proud to partner with an organization whose standards and values continue to shape the future of rehabilitation and healthcare delivery.

Congratulations on 60 years of excellence and service. We wish you continued success in the years ahead as you advance your mission and inspire organizations across the globe.

Sincerely,

Jamie Shepherd, FACHE, MBA, MHA
President & Chief Executive Officer