



**Marti P. Fritz**

**Morris Village Alcohol and Drug Addiction Treatment Center**

Marti Fritz is a Licensed Professional Counselor currently serving as a Program Coordinator II for the Co-Occurring unit at SCDMH/Morris Village Alcohol & Drug Addiction Treatment Center. He has worked for SCDMH for over 22 years.

Mr. Fritz oversees the development and management for adult intensive inpatient services at Morris Village. He has over 35 years of experience in counseling and has provided treatment at SCDMH since 1993. He received his BS in Psychology from St. Cloud State University in MN and his Masters in Gerontology Counseling from Wichita State University, Kansas.

Mr. Fritz has shown extraordinary dedication and commitment to ensure that his patients receive the best possible care. He is an active collaborator with the Mental Health Courts as well as Mental Health Centers and Alcohol and Drug Services in the community.

Mr. Fritz is an active member and volunteer in his local church. He has volunteered for a number of years serving at a local Nursing home in the Columbia area. His knowledge in Gerontology Counseling assists with volunteering services for the senior citizens.

I have worked with Mr. Fritz for over 27 years and he is kind, honest and a very hard-working employee. I have had the pleasure of working with him at both CAMHC and Morris Village. Mr. Fritz is an outstanding clinician and individual who has greatly contributed to the treatment of those with mental illness at SCDMH and in the community. He is committed to his patients and makes certain every patient receives the best possible care at MV and he follows through with outpatient services for his patients to ensure the best outcome for them in the community.

A recent conversation with current patients on his unit described him as, "cool, educated, understanding, excellent trainer and a good person."

It is my honor to nominate Marti Fritz for SCDMH Louise R. Hassenplug Award.