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Riverfront's Jagodzinske receives Rehabilitation Leadership Award

KOHLER, Wis. — Rehabilitation for Wisconsin, Inc., and Wisconsin Rehabilitation Association this week recognized Marcia Jagodzinske, president and CEO of Riverfront, with its Rehabilitation Leadership Award.

Jagodzinske received the honor Thursday at the 2009 Rehabilitation for Wisconsin state conference in Kohler, Wis., for her advocacy and leadership on behalf of people with disabilities.

"In her more than 30 years of service to people with disabilities, Marcia has challenged the status quo to ensure individuals with disabilities receive the highest-quality support," said, C. Thomas Cook, executive director of Rehabilitation for Wisconsin. "She has pioneered service models that address the needs of the whole person; initiated partnerships to create lasting, positive changes in the industry; and ventured internationally to exchange ideas for enhancing service. She represents true leadership in serving people with disabilities."

Rehabilitation for Wisconsin is a statewide nonprofit association based in Madison, Wis. Its members include more than 50 organizations dedicated to addressing employment, residential and community support needs of people with disabilities and economic disadvantages.

Riverfront is a private, nonprofit organization that provides support and training to people with disabilities so they can live independently, work and earn paychecks and participate in the community as workers, neighbors and friends. Founded in 1977, Riverfront serves thousands of individuals each year in Wisconsin and Minnesota. Attesting to its quality, Riverfront is nationally accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities.

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