Laurie K. Ballew, DO, Psychiatrist and Addiction Medicine Physician with Holistic Psychiatry and Hea

Get to know Psychiatrist and Addiction Medicine Physician Dr. Laurie K. Ballew, who serves patients in Paducah, Kentucky.



New York City, May 7, 2019 (<u>Issuewire.com</u>) - Dr Ballew is a psychiatrist and addiction medicine physician who is currently serving patients at Holistic Psychiatry and Healthcare in Paducah Kentucky located at 2520 New Holt Road.

Dr Ballew received her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) degree from Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1994. Thereafter, she went on to complete an internship in family practice at Broadlawns Medical Center in 1995, followed by a residency in psychiatry at the University of Louisville Hospital in 1998.

Dr Ballew is board-certified in both psychiatry and psychosomatic medicine by the American Board of Psychiatry & Neurology (ABPN). The ABPN is a not-for-profit corporation dedicated to serving the public interest and the professions of psychiatry and neurology by promoting excellence in practice through certification and maintenance of certification processes. Dr Ballew is certified in addiction medicine by ASAM.

Dr Ballew specializes in several areas of medicine, including geriatrics and psychosomatic medicine.

Geriatrics, or geriatric medicine, is a specialty that focuses on health care of elderly people. It aims to promote health by preventing and treating diseases and disabilities in older adults. Psychosomatic medicine is an interdisciplinary medical field exploring the relationships among social, psychological, and behavioural factors on bodily processes and quality of life.

Dr Ballew is a Distinguished Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association (APA). The APA is the main professional organization of psychiatrists and trainee psychiatrists in the United States, as well as the largest psychiatric organization in the world. The mission of the APA is: to promote the highest quality care for individuals with mental illness, including substance use disorders, and their families; to promote psychiatric education and research; to advance and represent the profession of psychiatry and to serve the professional needs of its membership.

Psychiatry is the medical specialty devoted to the diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of mental disorders. Addiction medicine is a medical subspecialty that deals with the diagnosis, prevention, evaluation, treatment, and recovery of persons with addiction, of those with substance-related and addictive disorders, and of people who show unhealthy use of substances including alcohol, nicotine, prescription medicine, and other illicit and licit drugs. As a psychiatrist and addiction medicine physician, Dr Ballew mainly provides her services to adults dealing with mental health issues. She utilizes individual psychotherapy and medication management when indicated, as well as focuses on the whole individual, rather than just their symptoms.

Learn More about Dr Laurie K. Ballew:

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