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## Wounded Warrior Project VP Receives IBCCES Innovation Award

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 26, 2018 /[PRNewswire-USNewswire](#)/ -- Michael Richardson, the vice president for independence services and mental health at Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP), received IBCCES' annual Innovator Award at the International Symposium on Cognitive Research and Disorders (ISCRD) Monday evening.

IBCCES (The International Board of Credentialing and Continuing Education Standards), a Jacksonville-based organization that provides globally recognized credentials to professionals who work with people that have special needs, chose Richardson to receive this honor for his leadership within Wounded Warrior Project and its Warrior Care Network®.

IBCCES bestows the Innovation Award to professionals who have demonstrated a commitment to improving patient outcomes using new ways of thinking. These professionals have gone above and beyond to shape the future of healthcare using innovative techniques, forging new partnerships, and moving the entire industry forward.

IBCCES chair Myron Pincomb says of Richardson, "Under his leadership, the team at Wounded Warrior Project thinks outside the box, breaks down silos, and has really helped improve outcomes for those who have served our country, especially those who have cognitive disorders and mental health needs."

The Wounded Warrior Project's Warrior Care Network is a first-of-its-kind partnership between WWP and four national academic medical centers. This program fills gaps of care to reach those who might otherwise go untreated.

"There is a lot of great work and innovation to address the invisible wounds of war," said Mike Richardson. "But there is still so much more to do to help these men and women."

Warrior Care Network provides more than 70 hours of clinical mental health care for veteran patients, all free of charge. This treatment has proven to improve quality of life and resilience.

With research showing that up to 94 percent of Americans will be personally affected by a cognitive disorder during the next 20 years, professionals in health care and education have a vested interest in finding the best way to help their clients.

The ISCRD symposium has become the premier international symposium for cognitive research and disorders. Educators, therapists, physicians, and healthcare professionals come together each year to collaborate, brainstorm, and foster new ways to help those in their care achieve the optimum outcome. Last year, Dr. Bruce E. Wexler, the head of Yale's Global Mental Health Program and renowned Jacksonville neurosurgeon Dr. Ricardo A. Hanel captured the coveted awards.

### **ABOUT IBCCES**

The International Board of Credentialing and Continuing Education Standards ([IBCCES](#)) meets the credentialing needs of professionals who work with individuals with special needs. These certifications have become the world's leading benchmarks for training and certification in autism and other cognitive disorders. Each year,

IBCCES hosts the International Symposium on Cognitive Research and Disorders (ISCRD) to facilitate collaboration among industry professionals.

### **About Wounded Warrior Project**

Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) connects, serves, and empowers wounded warriors. Read more [here](#).

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