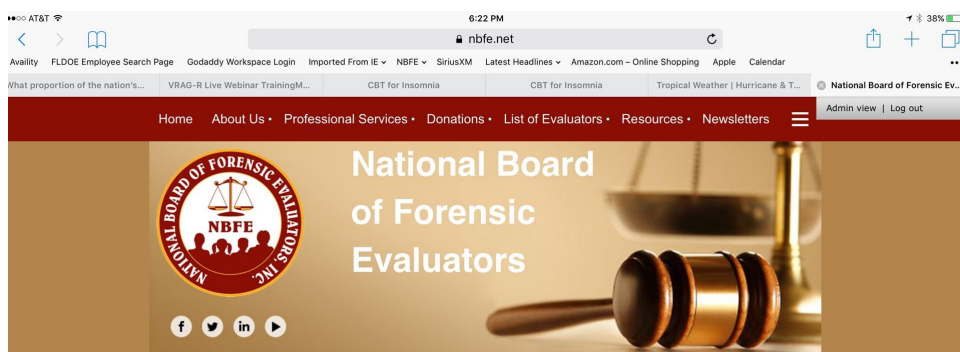


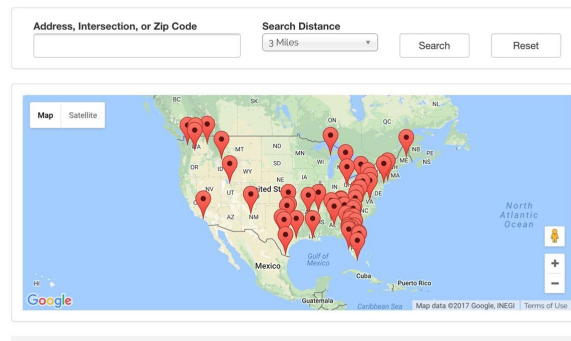


# What's New with NBFE?

## NBFE Unveils CFMHE Locator Map



Map of Evaluators



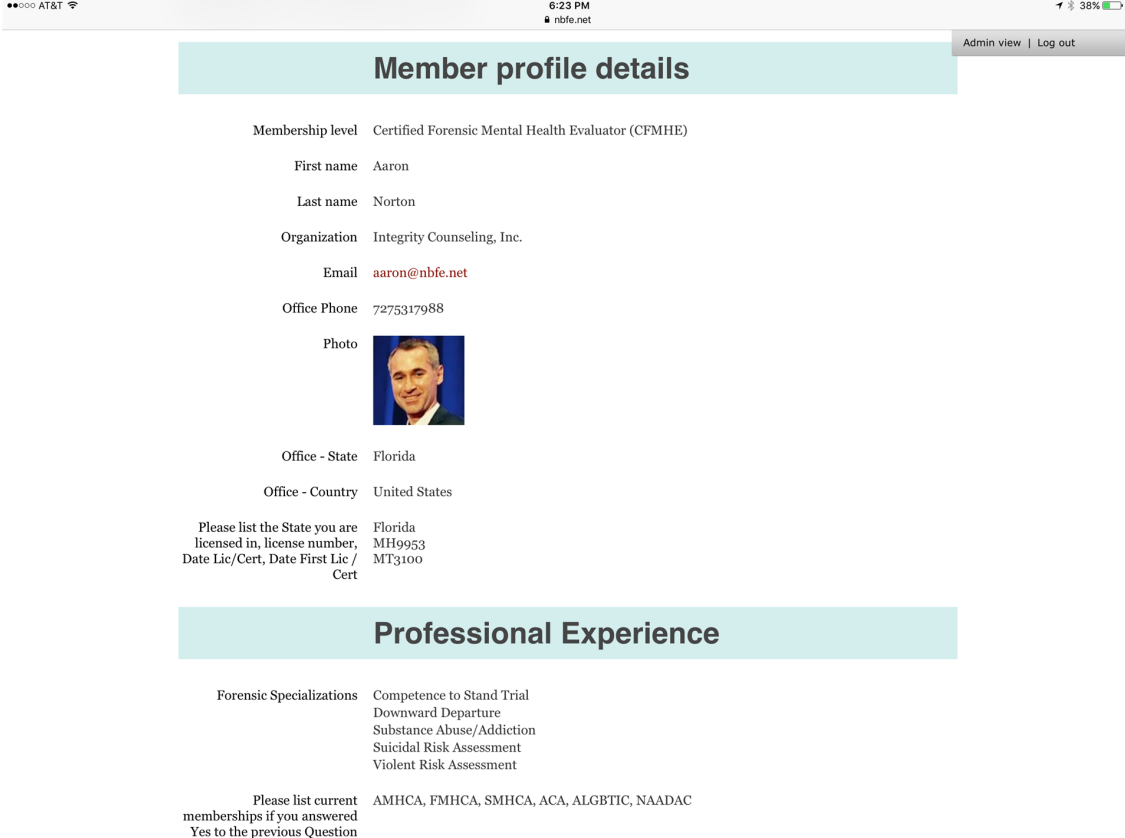
At the request of attorneys who wanted a more convenient option for locating a CFMHE in their area, NBFE has launched a new tool on our website that allows referral sources to locate CFMHEs by geographical location. Site visitors can click on any CFMHE and read additional information, including what types of forensic evaluations the CFMHE specializes in. **Use this new benefit to its maximum potential by addressing the following recommendations:**

- 1) Log into [www.nbfe.net](http://www.nbfe.net)

- 2) Click on "view member profile."
- 3) Click on "edit profile."
- 4) Ensure that your practice address and phone numbers are up-to-date and revise if needed.
- 5) Ensure that you have uploaded a photo.
- 6) Add your practice website.
- 7) Under "professional experience," find "Forensic evaluation specialties" and check off each type of forensic evaluation you currently provide.


You can view the new interactive map [here](#).

Below, you will see a screen shot of a sample directory listing:



The screenshot shows a web browser window with a status bar at the top displaying "6:23 PM", "nbfe.net", and a battery level of 38%. The page has a header with "Admin view" and "Log out" links. The main content is divided into two sections: "Member profile details" and "Professional Experience".

**Member profile details**

Membership level	Certified Forensic Mental Health Evaluator (CFMHE)
First name	Aaron
Last name	Norton
Organization	Integrity Counseling, Inc.
Email	aaron@nbfe.net
Office Phone	7275317988
Photo	
Office - State	Florida
Office - Country	United States
Please list the State you are licensed in, license number, Date Lic/Cert, Date First Lic / Cert	Florida MH9953 MT3100

**Professional Experience**

Forensic Specializations	Competence to Stand Trial Downward Departure Substance Abuse/Addiction Suicidal Risk Assessment Violent Risk Assessment
Please list current memberships if you answered Yes to the previous Question	AMHCA, FMHCA, SMHCA, ACA, ALGBTIC, NAADAC

# Download Revised Report on Counselors and Psychological Testing



NBFE passionately advocates for all appropriately trained and licensed mental health professionals (counselors, marriage and family therapists, clinical social workers, psychologists) to administer and interpret psychological tests. We recently revised our analysis and position paper defending the rights of clinical mental health counselors to administer and interpret tests. This position paper has been a helpful reference for counseling organizations across the country.

To view the updated report, [click here](#).

To view our web page on additional reference materials related to fair access to tests, [click here](#).

## External Training Resources



As you know, NBFE provides a number of quality training events, including free webinars for our members and partner organizations. Sometimes, we also provide information on training opportunities with external organizations in forensic-related topics. One of our partners, the Florida Mental Health Counselors Association (FMHCA), provides quality webinars on a monthly basis. For a nominal fee of \$10 for FMHCA members (\$30 for non-members), clinicians can attend live webinars and receive a certificate recognized by NBCC. Past webinars can be viewed for free at FMHCA's YouTube channel, though no CEUs are available for past webinars, which are posted for educational purposes only. To view future webinars, [click here](#). We have also pasted some topics below for past webinars that may be applicable to the work of forensic evaluators:

[Neuropsychological Evaluations: An Under-Used Tool in Mental Health Counseling](#)

[Practice](#)

[Ethics and Social Media in the Digital Age](#)

[Transitioning to ICD-10-CM: What It Means for the Diagnosis of Mental Disorders](#)

[Victims of Domestic Violence: Substance Abuse and Co-Occurring Disorders](#)

[Forensic Evaluation: Countering the Cataclysmic Collapse of the Counseling Profession](#)

[How to Create a Six-Figure Private Practice](#)

[Developing Your Inner Project Manager: Fostering an Environment of Productivity](#)

## **Oral Examination Committee Vacancy**



NBFE's Oral Examination Committee is looking for a new committee member. This position is an excellent resume-enhancer as well as an opportunity to learn, collaborate, share your expertise, and serve your profession. Duties include:

1. Review your delegated portion of the oral sample report submitted by NBFE candidates who are completing their final phase of certification.
2. Attend oral review session and take part in the candidate's oral defense.
3. Assist in the recommendations to pass/fail candidates.
4. If the candidate fails his or her defense, assist in identifying what the candidate must do to fulfill his or her requirements to pass.

If you are interested, please email the Executive Director at [aaron@nbfe.net](mailto:aaron@nbfe.net).

## **NBFE Welcomes Newest CFMHEs and New Committee Chairs**

## **Spirit Clanton** (CFMHE #000082)



Spirit is a Nationally Certified Counselor (NCC), Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC), certified Parenting Coordinator (PC) and Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Facilitator with Darkness to Light. She is also a notable Relationship Expert, Social Commentator and Mental Health Advocate who frequently appears on television and radio programs across the country and is the owner of the group practice T2S Enterprises, LLC in Atlanta, GA.

## **Daniel Newman** (CFMHE #000083)



**DANIEL NEWMAN, LMHC**

Emergency Mental Health

*Crisis Intervention Specialist*

Patient Care • Research • Education

Daniel Newman is currently a Licensed Mental Health Counselor (LMHC) in the states of Massachusetts, Florida, and New York, as well as a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) in the state of Connecticut. Daniel has been a National Certified Counselor (NCC) since 2013, along with achieving the Certified Clinical Mental Health Counselor (CCMHC) credential in 2014. In addition, Daniel has gained the Approved Clinical Supervisor (ACS) in 2015 and has the distinction of Florida Qualified Supervisor for Mental Health Counselor and Massachusetts Certified Clinical Supervisor (MaCSS). Daniel is employed at UMass Memorial Medical Center's Emergency Mental Health (EMH), which assesses patients that present to the hospital's emergency department with complaints of suicidality, homicidality, psychosis, and/or mania. As of September, Daniel has embarked upon a new academic venture by entering the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner program at Massachusetts General Hospital's Institute of Health Professions. Daniel is extremely proud to earn his most recent accomplishment of becoming the 83rd Certified Forensic Mental Health Evaluator (CFMHE) in the nation. He looks forward to being an integral part of the National Board of Forensic Evaluators (NBFEE) community.

**Also, we'd like to introduce our new Chair of the Oral Examination Committee, Pamela Balentine, and our new**



## **Chair of Marketing, Kathryn Friedman.**



**Kathryn Friedman**, LMHC, CFMHE



Growing up in Vermont, the daughter of a dentist, Kathy has been helping people for 45 years; first as a dental hygienist for 20 years; as an educator at the University of Vermont, Tufts Dental School, and Palm Beach Community College, and a clinician, and for the past 22 years practicing as a Licensed Mental Health Counselor in a private practice that she built from physician and attorney referral in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.

Changing careers and returning to Nova Southeastern University after being out of school for 20 years, to obtain a Master's Degree in Counseling Psychology, came from the inspiration Kathy gained from the help she received from a wonderful therapist in West Palm Beach. Therapy helped her heal and recover from a 16 year struggle with anorexia nervosa. By finally having the courage to ask for help, Kathy was able to regain her mental strength and perseverance, graduating in 1991; raised a beautiful daughter on her own until she met and married her loving and supportive husband of 18 years.

Her private practice passions are helping those with eating disorders, couples counseling, parenting in this age of technology and how to keep your children safe. Having been a victim of "Anti-Semitic" bullying, Kathy helps teens navigate their way through middle and high school, avoiding relationships that can be abusive and dangerous, steering clear of alcohol and drugs; with the objective of helping the teen stay focused on their academics and short and long term goals.

Kathy is a believer in "life-long learning, which led her to study and become the 68th Certified Forensic Mental Health Evaluator with NBFE in 2014. She has built relationships with family attorney's, and has become an expert in interpretation of children's drawings and writing, testifying as an expert witness. Her relationship with Criminal Defense attorneys has grown due to her expert abilities in preparing court ordered substance abuse evaluations, forensic mental health evaluations, and teaching anger management classes.

She is honored to accept the nomination as Chair of NBFE's Marketing Committee.

Personally, Kathy is an avid cook and has a unique ability in interior design. She is an expert downhill skier, and a lover of nature. She is currently extremely excited about becoming a Grandmother; to her daughter and son-in-law's baby girl, due to enter this world in late September.

**Pamela Balentine**, Ph.D., LPC, CFMHE



Dr. Pamela Balentine is a Licensed Professional Counselor, National Board Certified Counselor, an American Counseling Association member, National Certified Mental Health Forensic Evaluator and Oral defense committee member, Certified Forensic Behavioral Analyst, National Board of Certified Clinical Hypnotherapist (Fellow & Diplomate status), Certified Compassion Fatigue Professional, Certified Clinical Trauma Professional, Military Cultural Competence & Veterans' Counselor; as well as having served in the USAF, Crisis Care Network's Disaster Assistance Response Team member, Micro-Expression Training (METT 2) Expert Level and has specializations in: health psychology, medical crisis counseling, anxiety disorders and an expert witness for criminal cases. In her free time she plays the flute, tenor sax, photography and avid gardener.

## **Bring Someone Into the Fold: Refer Colleagues to NBFE Certification Workshop in February**



NBFE will be returning to the Florida Mental Health Counselors Association (FMHCA) conference in February 2018. Applicants can attend in person in Orlando, FL or online through Gotowebinar. Refer any and all colleagues who might be interested in pursuing certification. [Click here](#) for more info.

## **Help NBFE Forge a Professional Partnership**



Are you a member of a professional association that hasn't partnered with NBFE yet? Do you have some ideas for organizations that might be interested in partnering with NBFE? Do you have colleagues that you think would be interested in certification? Remember...more CFMHEs means more recognition of your credential. Please send any partnering ideas to our mentoring chair at [kfsloan@bellsouth.net](mailto:kfsloan@bellsouth.net), and refer any colleagues who might be interested in certification to our website at [www.nbfe.net](http://www.nbfe.net).

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