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LBCIL Board of Directors Announcement, December 14, 2022 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Board of Directors of Long Beach Community Improvement League (LBCIL), the City oldest anti-poverty organization established in 1964, proudly announces the acceptance of the LBCIL Executive Director, Dr. Farah Naz Khaleghi, at the Georgetown University, Infant & Early Childhood Mental Health Program, starting December 2022. The LBCIL Board of Directors congratulates Dr. Khaleghi and wishes her great success as she is taking her post-doctoral journey. This program will complement her extensive educational background and experiences in Early Childhood & P-12 Education, Educational Research & Evaluation, Psychology and Human Behavior. This also benefits, the children, families and community at large with receiving excellent Early Childhood Mental Health services as Dr. Khaleghi completes her training in May 2023.

“Georgetown University’s School of Continuing Studies (SCS), in partnership with Georgetown’s Center for Child & Human Development (GUCCHD), Medstar Georgetown University Hospital (MGUH) Department of Psychiatry, and the Center of Excellence for Infant & Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation (IECMHC), launched the Infant & Early Childhood Mental Health Program beginning in 2021. This is a comprehensive program for professionals seeking to deepen their clinical knowledge and experience working with parents and young children. Participants will have the

opportunity to review, discuss, and synthesize cutting-edge materials and learn from luminaries in the infant mental health field.

The Certificate in Infant & Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation (IECMHC) provides advanced training for mental health clinicians in the specialized role of consulting in early childhood settings. Participants will learn approaches to promote mental health in the early childhood years and how the role of consultant is unique from other mental health clinician roles, as well as how consultation aims to build the capacity of early childhood professionals, settings, and systems to support young children’s mental health.

Participants will engage with national experts in the field of IECMHC and instructors from Georgetown University’s Center for Child and

Human Development, home of the Center of Excellence in Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation. All faculty have created, implemented, and guided national IECMHC programs. “ <https://scs.georgetown.edu/programs/>.

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Ahmed Saafir, Board Chair; Terri McAdams, Secretary; Colleen Bentley, Treasurer; Dr. Phyllis Hayes Reams, Director

