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**NEW DEPARTMENT HEAD
NAMED AT SWFAS**

Kevin B. Lewis, chief executive officer of Southwest Florida Addiction Services (SWFAS), has announced that **Dawn Clark** has been appointed director of Adult Outpatient Services at SWFAS.

In her new role, Clark will be responsible for all outpatient addiction treatment services for adults, adult drug courts in Lee, Hendry and Glades counties as well as the Employee Assistance Program.

Clark brings more than 18 years of experience in the mental health and addictions field, both as a clinician and as an administrator.

Prior to joining SWFAS, Clark was the director of the 30-bed Adult Crisis Stabilization Unit and the 10-bed Children's Crisis Stabilization Unit/Addiction Receiving Facility at Lee Mental Health, Inc., in Fort Myers.

While working with the Salvation Army in Fort Myers, she managed the 47-bed Department of Corrections Non-Secure Drug and Alcohol Treatment Program and was responsible for overseeing the psychiatric clinic, utilization of patient assistance programs, and professional training of staff.

She received her Bachelor of Science degree in human development from Mount Vernon College in Washington, D.C., and her Master of Science degree in mental health counseling from Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale. She is a Certified Addictions Professional (CAP) and a Certified Addictions Prevention Professional (CAPP).

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SWFAS is the most comprehensive substance abuse treatment and prevention program in Southwest Florida, serving 6,000 people per year from ages 9 to 90. SWFAS offers outpatient and residential programs for both adults and youngsters from seven locations in Lee County and two in Hendry County. Fees are charged on a sliding scale, based on family income. In many cases, private insurance is accepted. SWFAS is a United Way agency.

For more information, visit www.swfas.org or call (239) 332-6937.