

# John Picciano - CEO, LCSW, MSW

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John is a healthcare professional with over 35 years of experience working in the healthcare sector. John has a diverse background working in the areas of Operations, Clinical services, and Administration. He received his undergraduate degree from St. Leo's College and earned a Master's Degree in Clinical Social Work from Barry University.

John began his career as a Catholic Priest and served the church in the Diocese of Orlando, Florida for over 14 years. John was appointed Director of Ministry for Disabled persons in the Diocese of Orlando and was responsible for drug and alcohol counseling and performing interventions while working for the Church.

Since leaving the priesthood, he has served as the Chief Executive Officer for more than a dozen inpatient mental health hospitals, rehabilitation programs and long-term care centers.

Throughout the past 35 years, John has developed many specialty treatment programs including an inpatient treatment center in Clearwater, Florida for hearing impaired persons with substance abuse problems. It was the only successful inpatient substance program for hearing impaired individuals in the country.

John oversees the Impaired Physician Program in Columbus, Ohio and he is in the beginning stages of developing an inpatient Christ centered substance abuse program at the Darryl Strawberry Recovery Center in St. Cloud, Florida.

John serves as Chief Executive Officer of Oglethorpe, Inc., which is a Tampa based Management Company.

He directs the Operations for nine hospitals that are located in Florida, Ohio, Texas, and Louisiana and scheduled to open an additional facility in Nevada. He is committed to the highest standards of quality, compassionate treatment for those afflicted with addictions and mental health conditions.

John is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) that is licensed to practice in the State of Florida.