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Dr. Ellen Fink-Samnick Recognized as 2025 Case Manager of the Year by the Case Management Society of America (CMSA)

Burke, VA-EFS Supervision Strategies, LLC is proud to announce that its principal, Dr. Ellen Fink-Samnick, was named the *2025 Case Manager of the Year* at CMSA's 2025 Annual Conference in Dallas, Texas.

Dr. Fink-Samnick's 42-year career reflects her ongoing commitment to advancing research, knowledge, and practice for professional case management's interdisciplinary workforce. She is only the second non-nurse to receive this award in CMSA's 35 year history and the first in 25 years.

Acknowledged as professional case management's "ethical compass", Dr. Fink-Samnick's expertise encompasses heath care quality, health equity, integrated care, interprofessional teams, professional case management, mentoring, and trauma-directed leadership. She is an author, consultant, educator, mentor, and professional speaker who has written five books, including The Ethical Case Manager: Tools and Tactics. Her sixth title, Behavioral Health for Case Management, will be published in October 2025. She is also editor for, Integrated Behavioral Health: Applying the Biodyne Model in Healthcare, to be published in January 2026.

Dr. Fink-Samnick is a doctoral faculty member, academic advisor, and the IRB coordinator for Cummings Graduate
Institute of Behavioral Health Studies
She also is as an adjunct faculty member for George Mason University's
College of Public Health
And Department of Social Work. Dr. Fink-Samnick holds a Masters in Social Work (MSW)
from the University of Buffalo School of Social Work and Doctorate in Behavioral Health (DBH) from Cummings
Graduate Institute. She is a Fellow in Case Management (FCM) through CMSA and a Fellow for Rise Association.

Dr. Fink-Samnick is editor of The HeartBeat of Case Management Department for Wolter Kluwer Health's <u>Professional Case Management Journal</u> and member of the journal's editorial advisory board. Along with CMSA, her fierce professional voice has been shared with assorted entities including AHIMA's Data for Better Health Initiative, The Case Management Institute, The Commission for Case Manager Certification (CCMC), The Gravity Project, the National Association of Social Workers, and RISE Association. Dr. Fink-Samnick is the current Vice-Chair of CMSA's DEIB Core Committee and has been instrumental in facilitating the committee's deliverables.

About CMSA's Case Manager of the Year Award: The award is given to an individual whose notable contributions and exceptional dedication have provided a positive vision for the future of case management. This award recognizes those leadership qualities, both professional and personal, which have encouraged others to develop their own gifts of leadership and whose continuing commitment has shaped the industry.

About The Case Management Society of America (CMSA): CMSA is the authority for professional case management practice to improve the health of individuals, families, caregivers, and support systems within their communities by setting standards and best practices for case management across the healthcare continuum, impacting policy to improve health outcomes, and providing evidence-based tools and resources to case managers.

About <u>EFS Supervision Strategies</u>, <u>LLC</u>: EFSS is a sole proprietor company dedicated to empowering interprofessional knowledge acquisition and health equity through consultation, content development, education, and training.

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