Keith Giles received certification as a criminal justice specialist and master addiction counselor from the National Association for Forensic Counselors.

* He holds an additional master addiction counselor's certification for the Pennsylvania Chemical Abuse Certification Board.
* Mr. Giles is trained as a tutor by the Greater Pittsburgh Literacy Council and is more than proficient in drug and alcohol edification and prevention.
* HIV/Aids awareness/prevention, ethics board management, and family crisis intervention.
* He is the recipient of the 2005 Stop the Violence Humanitarian Award, the 2004 Trailblazer Award, The Ambassador for Recovery and Dr. Abraham Twerski Awards.
* Mr. Giles participated on Pro-A, the Coalition for Leadership, Education, Advocacy and Recovery (CLEAR), Center for Spirituality, Petra Ministries Advisory Board, We The People, Allegheny County Drug/Alcohol Providers and Continuum of Care Providers Network, Communities in Action for Peace, and the Homeless Alliance of Executive Directors.
* Mr. Giles' special commitment to promote and strengthen families has developed First Step into a model program by traveling across the country sharing how the agency has made a difference in the lives of individuals, families, and communities.
* Join us in thanking Mr. Giles as he prepares for semi-retirement and the appointment of an appropriate successor for the continuation of First Step Recovery Homes, Inc.