

Silver Hill Hospital Names Lisa Ferraro, CFRE, Chief Development Officer
Ferraro to lead Silver Hill's fundraising strategy and philanthropic partnerships

New Canaan, CT — August 28, 2026 — [Silver Hill Hospital](https://silverhillhospital.org), a nationally recognized nonprofit leader in mental health care for adults and adolescents, has named Lisa Ferraro, CFRE, as Chief Development Officer. Ferraro will lead Silver Hill's fundraising strategy, working closely with donors, board members, and the community to advance the hospital's mission.

"Philanthropy plays an important role in our ability to strengthen the care we provide and invest in the future of Silver Hill," said Andrew J. Gerber, MD, PhD, President and Medical Director of Silver Hill Hospital. "Lisa brings an exceptional record of building strong donor relationships and translating generosity into meaningful support for the institutions she serves. We're thrilled to welcome her."

Ferraro brings more than three decades of fundraising leadership in healthcare and education. She joins Silver Hill from Notre Dame High School in West Haven, Connecticut, where she served as Vice President for Development and exceeded her fundraising goal by 30% in her first year. She previously served as Director of Development, Communications & Marketing at Eagle Hill School, where she led a campaign that secured \$9 million in gifts for a new community room and academic building renovations. Earlier in her career, as Director of Development at Norwalk Hospital Foundation, she led the \$30 million "Legacy of Caring" capital campaign, securing \$27 million toward the goal, and grew annual fundraising revenue from \$2 million to more than \$10 million.

"Great fundraising begins with relationships. It's about listening to donors and understanding what inspires them," said Ferraro. "I have a deep appreciation for the difference that skilled, compassionate treatment can make, and I'm eager to build meaningful connections between our donors and the patients and families we serve."

As an independent, nonprofit psychiatric hospital, philanthropic support enables Silver Hill to expand access to treatment, address emerging needs, and pursue new opportunities to serve patients and the region.

Ferraro earned her MBA in International Finance from the University of Bridgeport and her bachelor's degree in finance from Pacific Lutheran University. She has been a Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) since 2003 and is a past president of the Association of Fundraising Professionals, Fairfield County Chapter.

For more information about philanthropy at Silver Hill, visit <https://silverhillhospital.org/support-silver-hill-hospital/>

About Silver Hill

Founded in 1931, Silver Hill is one of the nation's leading independent, nonprofit psychiatric facilities dedicated to diagnosing and treating adolescents and adults with a broad range of psychiatric and addiction disorders. Located in New Canaan, CT and New York City, Silver Hill provides a treatment continuum including inpatient, residential, and outpatient programs plus an assessment program to connect individuals seeking mental health treatment with tailored referrals for care.

Silver Hill's comprehensive offerings are comprised of a network of behavioral health provider organizations, both not-for-profit and private pay, each established to meet the specific mental health needs of the communities we serve. All Silver Hill entities share an unwavering commitment to evidence-based care and quality-driven clinical standards.

Silver Hill's highly regarded residential programs include treatment for Substance Use and Co-Occurring Disorders; Personality and Mood Disorders; Psychotic Disorders; Complex Trauma and Dissociative Disorders; as well as programs for Adolescents and Executives/Professionals across diagnoses.

At Silver Hill, board certified psychiatrists work closely with psychologists, social workers, family therapists, licensed nurses, and other staff to deliver expert care. This multidisciplinary team maintains continuous, integrated communication across the treatment continuum, ensuring that every patient benefits from a highly personalized, unified treatment strategy.

In addition to caring for those in treatment, Silver Hill is committed to advancing the field of mental health through education, training, and scholarship. The Silver Hill Academy for Research and Education (SHARE) hosts a Grand Rounds series featuring leading clinicians, plus conferences, trainee programs, fellowships, and publications, reaching thousands of practitioners across the country each year.

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