

Lisa Buckingham Named "2012 Pennsylvania Woman Of The Year" By Pennsylvania Diversity Council

Lincoln Financial Group (NYSE:LNC) announced today that Lisa M. Buckingham, executive vice president and chief human resources, brand and communications officer for the company, has been honored with the Pennsylvania Diversity Council's "2012 Pennsylvania Woman of the Year" award. Buckingham was formally recognized by the council at the organization's Third Annual Philadelphia Diversity & Leadership conference that took place on October 18.

"We are very pleased to recognize Lisa Buckingham with one of our highest honors," said Dennis Kennedy, founder and CEO of the National Diversity Council. "What she stands for is the embodiment of our mission to advance corporate leadership awareness of diversity; to commit leaders to discuss issues, challenge attitudes and promote change; and to support the outreach of diversity and inclusion to our youth that inspires mutual respect and understanding."

Buckingham joined Lincoln Financial in 2008, and she is responsible for all Human Resources practices and policies for the organization, including the company's Diversity and Inclusion program. She is also responsible for overseeing the corporation's Brand & Enterprise Communications and Corporate Social Responsibility activities. Buckingham reports to Dennis R. Glass, president and CEO of Lincoln Financial Group.

"Lisa has been an ambassador of change since joining the company. She has helped the organization enhance its focus on not only embracing difference in the workplace, but also on how difference translates into the ways Lincoln reaches clients and consumers," said Glass. "Colleagues across Lincoln join me in congratulating Lisa on this important honor, and we look forward to her leadership in this space for years to come."

About Lincoln Financial Group

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About the Pennsylvania Diversity Council

The Pennsylvania Diversity Council (PADC) is a non-profit organization that was established in 2008 to help organizations and people expand their knowledge about diversity and inclusion in today's global society. The Council provides organizations with the opportunity to share best practices and learn from top corporate leaders about diversity and inclusion efforts. The Pennsylvania Diversity Council is part of the larger National Diversity Council, and has regional advisory boards in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia. More information about the Pennsylvania Diversity Council can be found at www.padiversitycouncil.org.