

Membership Application

Name of Individual or group

Contact Person (for organizations & groups)

Street

City State/Province

Zip Code Country

Telephone: (____) _____

Fax: (____) _____

E-mail: _____

Type of Membership: (check one)

Child & Youth Care Association
(Only Completed by Officers of a CYC Association)
Membership - \$5.00 per member.

Total members: _____

Organization/Agency Membership
\$275.00

Sponsor and Affiliate Membership
\$1,000.00

Individual Membership
\$25.00

Amount Enclosed: _____

*All funds in US dollars. Please make
checks payable to ACYCP.*

Mail to:

*Membership Office, ACYCP
6753 State Road
Parma, OH 44134*

*ACYCP's philosophy is founded on
the belief that child, youth and
family care professionals value and
respect all individuals and families
and, therefore, ensure that services
are sensitive to and
nondiscriminatory of clients and
professionals regardless of race,
color, ethnicity, national origin,
national ancestry, age, gender,
sexual orientation, marital status,
religion, abilities, mental or
physical handicap, political belief,
political affiliation, or
socioeconomic status.*

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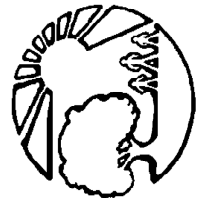
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The Association for
Child & Youth
Care Practice, Inc.

acycp is a national coalition of state and regional child and youth care associations, organizations, and professionals committed to improving the field of child and youth care.

acycp provides leadership and professional representation for the thousands of child and youth care workers in the United States working in early childhood education, foster care, group homes, residential treatment centers, corrections facilities, after school programs, community youth development, recreational and disabilities programs.

acycp continues the work of the National Organization of Child Care Worker Associations (NOCCWA), which officially began operations in 1977 and was replaced by ACYCP in 1998.

acycp, a non-profit corporation tax exempt under section 501(c)(6) of the IRS tax code, is a voluntary educational, scientific and professional organization whose purpose is to support and develop programs, activities and organizations which will enhance the competence and professional status of child and youth care workers. Included in this purpose is a commitment to increase the public's awareness of the need for quality child and youth care and its direct relationship to the future welfare of society.

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- Collaborates with the Council of Canadian CYC Associations to offer the International Child and Youth Care Conferences every three years since 1982. These conferences offer an international forum for sharing innovative approaches and research.
- Sponsors the North American Certification Project in collaboration with the International Leadership Coalition for Professional Child and Youth Work. This project has conducted a meta-analysis of CYC competencies that span all major practice settings and is implementing a national credentialing program for professional CYC practitioners.
- Publishes the Journal of Child and Youth Care Work in cooperation with the CYC Learning Center at the University of Wisconsin -Milwaukee and Concordia University in Canada.. This peer-reviewed journal is devoted to the promotion of professional child and youth care practice and practitioners that publishes a broad range of articles of interest to academics, students and practitioners who are concerned with all aspects of intervention with young people.
- Collaborated with the International Leadership Coalition for Professional CYC Work to develop an international code of ethics specific to CYC practice that has been adopted in many states and in Canada.

- Sponsors Project Outreach to assist in the development and expansion of local CYC professional organizations. This committee is working with groups to identify and provide resources to local and state groups that are organizing CYC practitioners at the 'grass roots' level.

- Provides networking opportunities for individuals and groups interested in collaborating to promote higher quality training and educational opportunities for professional CYC practitioners.

Review of the historical development of professions (i.e. social work, psychology, education, etc.) has shown that the leadership and vision of mature professionals within the field, coupled with strong support from state and local groups is a key step in the evolution of a profession. When the people who work within a field of study realize the value of their contribution to society and begin to actively work together to define knowledge and skills competencies, establish standards of ethical practice, and begin regulating professional membership, this marks the emergence of a true profession.

CYC practitioners have arrived at this place and invite you to join with us in creating a future where children, youth and families in North America have well-prepared, competent, professional care givers available to meet their developmental needs.

For more information, visit us at:

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