Member Services and Programs

Member agencies provide an environment designed to give youth the kind of stability and comfort every child should experience growing up at home.

Programs provide structure and services to meet the diverse needs of clients and families, including:

- Individual, group and family therapy and counseling
- Behavior modification
- Intensive structure and supervision
- Individualized educational programs, often provided on the premises
- Development of independent-living, vocational and parenting skills
- Recreational programs
- Psychiatric, psychological and medical services
- Aftercare

Group Homes serve 12 or fewer youth able to function in a community-based setting.

Residential Treatment Centers provide structured services for significant behavior disorders. Many provide on-premises schooling.

Shelters provide short-term care prior to a return home or another placement.

Independent-Living Programs teach the skills residents will need to live on their own.

Maternity and Mother/Child Programs serve adolescents who are pregnant or caring for their babies.

Alliance Members

1. Anchor House
2. Atlantic County Youth Services
3. Bonnie Brae
4. Cape Counseling Services
5. Carrier Foundation
6. Catholic Charities (Metuchen Diocese)
7. Center for Family Services
8. Children's Aid & Family Service
9. The Children's Home
10. Collier Service
11. Community Access Unlimited
12. Community Treatment Solutions
13. Covenant House NJ
14. CPC Behavioral Healthcare
15. Crossroads Programs
16. Devereux NJ Treatment Network
17. Drenk Mental Health Center
18. Family Services
19. Hope House
20. Hunterdon County Youth Facility
21. Hunterdon Youth Services
22. IEP Youth Services
23. Isaiah House
24. New Jersey Mentor
25. Middlesex County Youth Shelter
26. Morris County Youth Shelter
27. Ocean's Harbor House
28. Plaid House
29. Ranch Hope
30. Robin's Nest
31. St. Peter's Village
32. SERV Behavioral Health Systems
33. Somerset Hills Residential Treatment Center
34. Somerset Home for Temporarily Displaced Children
35. Tri-County Youth Services (Father English)
36. Trinitas Hospital
37. Union Industrial Home for Children
38. VisionQuest of New Jersey
39. Volunteers of America
40. Willowglen Academy
41. Youth Consultation Service

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Who We Are

The New Jersey Alliance for Children, Youth and Families (NJACYF) is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) tax-exempt membership organization representing the needs and interests of more than 40 organizations. These agencies provide residential services to youth in out-of-home placements throughout New Jersey.

All member agencies are licensed by the State of New Jersey. Many members are accredited.

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What We Do

Offer our knowledge and experience to those providing services to at-risk children, families and individuals.

Speak with one voice on legislative and administrative policies on local, state and national levels.

Promote cooperation with state government to ensure a comprehensive system of quality services for vulnerable youth and families.

Provide a support network to strengthen member agencies--sharing information exchanging ideas, encouraging staff development and training, and providing consultation and technical assistance.

Work to improve and develop services for youth and families and uphold high standards of care and treatment.

Provide information and education to policy-makers, consumers and the public.

Contribute to the agenda and activities of state and national advocacy organizations.

Who We Serve

Most youth who require out-of-home care come from severely dysfunctional families who are unable to provide the most minimal level of care.

All too often, youth can't function adequately at home, while in foster care, in the community or at school. Many have had multiple placements, a history of psychiatric hospitalization, or involvement in the juvenile justice system.

Many have experienced neglect or abuse (physical, emotional or sexual). Some are so severely disabled they require 24-hour treatment and care.

The ultimate goal of all member agencies is to place youth in a stable, caring environment, whether through reunification with their birth family, adoption, placement with a relative or a permanent guardian, or in an independent-living situation.