



News Release:

ACYCP, CYCCB and COA announce inclusion of CYC Certification in the COA Standards

The Association of Child and Youth Care Practice (ACYCP) and the Child & Youth Care Certification Board (CYCCB) proudly announce that they have become Supporting Organizations of the Council on Accreditation (COA). COA Supporting Organizations are separately incorporated, not-for-profit organizations with purpose and value statements that are consistent with that of COA's and with an interest and means to promote quality services.

COA has included Child and Youth Care (CYC) Certification as a way to satisfy staffing credentials in a variety of the COA standards. Certification is listed in the Out of School Time (OST) Standards referenced in sections describing qualifications for site directors, senior group leaders and group leaders and is included across all editions of standards: Child and Youth Development, Private, Canadian, and Public.

CYC Certified practitioners are professionals sanctioned by the professional CYC community who have completed the most rigorous demonstration of competence in the field. CYCCB provides an assessment process and certification to child and youth care practitioners who demonstrate their commitment to high standards of care and ongoing competence development.

Engaging in the certification process connects practitioners, endorses higher standards of practice, and promotes on-going professional development.

For more information on CYC Certification, visit www.CYCCB.org or contact the CYCCB office at: CYCoffice@youthworkacademy.org

For more information on the ACYCP, visit www.acycp.org

For more information about COA, visit www.COAnet.org