Placement Alternatives – Reviewing the List of In-State Facilities

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Today…

- Who We Are
- About Our Kids
- Levels of Care
- WV Directory of Services

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Our Vision: WVCCA will lead the way in ***inspiring others to help at-risk children*** and families by drawing upon our network of statewide member service providers.

Our Mission: WVCCA ***advocates for children and families*** by sharing member knowledge and resources, providing quality training, embracing partnerships, and influencing public policy.

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Our Members:

Board of Child Care
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Crittenton Services
Daymark
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Highland Hospital
Pressley Ridge
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River Park Hospital
Stepping Stone
Stepping Stones
St. John's Home for Children
Try-Again Homes
Westbrook Health Services

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Strategic Goals:

- **Goal #1 Sustainability:** Serve as a viable organization of children service providers.
- **Goal #2 Resource Sharing:** Facilitate a systematic method of sharing resources.
- **Goal #3 Advocacy & Policy Influence:** Promote high quality care for children and families through legislative advocacy and influencing public policy.
- **Goal #4 Quality Initiatives:** Establish and advance quality standards of care to promote healthy children and families in West Virginia.

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Advocacy Issues:

- **Utilize Universal Assessment**
- **Keep West Virginia's children in West Virginia close to their family, home, school, friends and community**
- **Streamline Timely Background Checks**
- **Increase Foster Care Rates**
- **Develop Treatment Foster Care**
- **Build a Child-Focused System based on Quality Care and Best Practice**

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Annual Conferences and Trainings Recognizing Champions of Children

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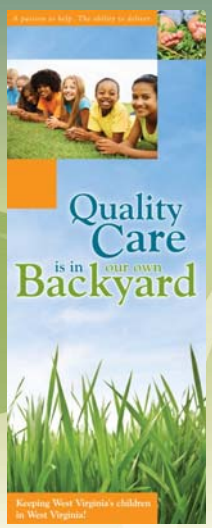
Quality Care is in our Own Backyard Awareness Campaign and Resources



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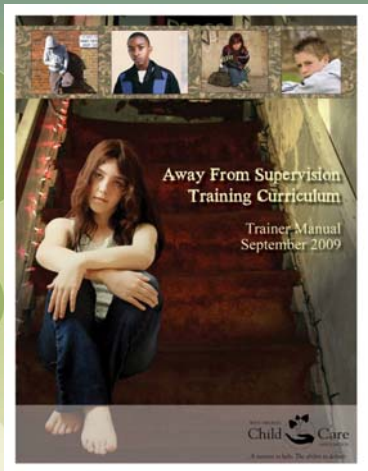

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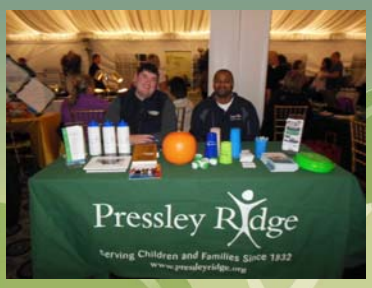

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Presenters:

- **Heather Collins**, Executive Director, Stepping Stone, Marion County
- **Kathy Szafran**, President and CEO, Crittenton Services, Ohio County
- **Jackie Columbia**, Executive Director, Board of Child Care at Falling Waters, Berkeley County
- **Vicki Pleasant**, Executive Director, Daymark, Kanawha County
- **Gwen Davis**, Executive Director, Try-Again Homes, Marion County

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ABOUT NICK

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Community-Based Treatment

- Behavioral health, support, linkage, advocacy and referral services offered in the least restrictive environment
  - Home
  - School
  - Community office
- Strong prevention and family system approach
- Focus to keep families together is the least restrictive environment
- *Average length of treatment - 6 to 9 months*

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ABOUT BEN

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Foster Care

- The least restrictive of the out of home placement options (excluding independent living)
- Provides an alternative family setting for a child who is unable to live in his/her own home.
- Placement needs may vary from minimal behavioral or emotional problems to moderate therapeutic foster homes whereby parents are specially trained and supported.

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Emergency Shelter

- Crisis Support is a structured crisis service for children up to 21 years of age who are in the custody of the state which is provided in a community based group residential setting.
- These youth are considered homeless.
- This service is provided in an environment which is safe, supportive and therapeutic.
- Crisis Support involves a comprehensive array of supportive and therapeutic services such as:
  - Individual and small group counseling
  - Crisis intervention
  - Behavior monitoring
  - Clinical evaluation
  - Treatment planning
  - Enhancement of daily living skills

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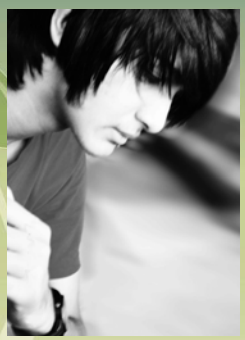
ABOUT CHRIS



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Level I

- A structured 24 hour group care setting.
- Targets youth with a confirmed DSM-5 diagnosis through adjustment difficulties in school, home and/or community.
- Designed for youth whose needs can best be met in a community-based setting where the child can remain in school and recreational activities.
- These youth can function in public school and in a group setting with a *minimal* amount of supportive services and behavioral interventions.

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Level II

- Residential living in a staff secure facility
- Providing an array of treatment/intervention modalities which includes but is not limited to:
  - Assessment services
  - Service planning
  - Target Case Management
  - Skills Training and Development
  - Crises Intervention 24-hour availability
  - Therapeutic Behavioral Services
- *Average length of treatment - 6 to 9 months*

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Level III

- A highly structured and intensely staffed 24 hour setting
- Targeting youth with a confirmed DSM-5 diagnosis which manifests itself in severe disturbances in conduct and emotions and as a result are unable to function in multiple areas of their lives.
- Residential treatment facilities provide a highly structured program with formalized behavioral programs and therapeutic interventions whereby all planned activities and interventions are designed with the goal of stabilizing the child.

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Intermediate Care Facilities

- Provides services that instruct, train, support, supervise, and assist individuals in achieving the highest level of independence and self- sufficiency possible
- Services provided are based on individual needs, which vary according to age and level of Intellectual and/or developmental disabilities.
- ICF (Intermediate Care Facilities) services in West Virginia are provided in small facilities throughout the state. Commonly four (4) to eight (8) members reside in each of the ICFs.

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Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility

- Inpatient psychiatric facility that provides psychiatric and other therapeutic and clinical services to individuals under the age of 21 whose immediate treatment needs require a structured 24 hour residential setting.
- Services provided include, but are not limited to
  - Multi-disciplinary evaluation
  - Medication management
  - Individual, family and group therapy
  - Parent guidance
  - Substance abuse education/counseling
  - Other support services including on site education designed to assist the young person in achieving success in a less restrictive setting.

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Acute Psychiatric Hospitals

- 24 hour secure (locked) hospital environment
- Physician-led, multi-disciplinary treatment team - medical model
- Emergency medication intervention for stabilization
- *Average length of treatment - 7 to 10 days.*

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Adoption

- Establishes a legally recognized, lifelong relationship between a parent and child.
- The adoptive parent becomes legally and morally responsible for the child's safety, education, health care, value development, development of life skills, as well as the day-to-day care of that child.

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Transitional Living

- Supervised living arrangement
- Assists youth in the custody of the Department in acquiring skills and competencies to become independent

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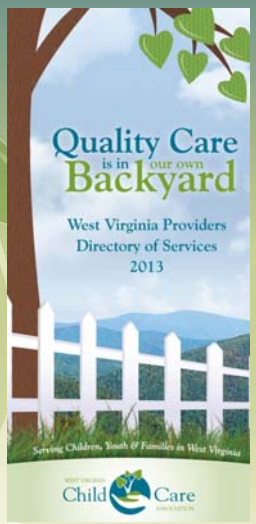

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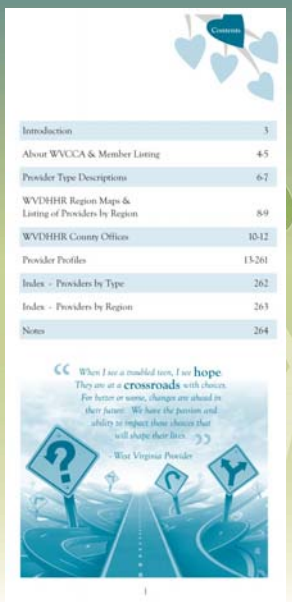

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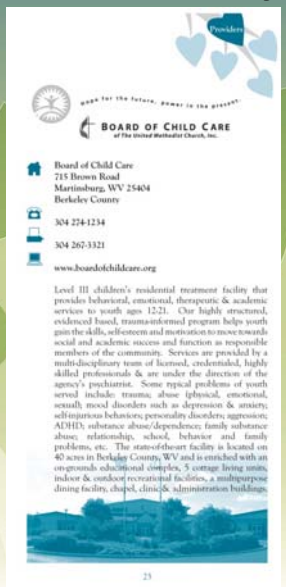

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How You Can Help…

- **Use and distribute the directory**
- **Refer children to quality services provided right here at home**
- **Check out our resources and trainings provided on www.wvcca.org**
- **Support our advocacy efforts**
- **Consider us a resource for you!**

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