Resolution in Support of the
Association of Child and Youth Care Practice
Competencies for Professional Child and Youth Work Practitioners

Whereas quality child and youth services make a significant contribution to the quality of life in American communities, and

Whereas such services provide developmental support, education, recreation and guidance to an expanding number of children and youth who access services in school-based programs, community mental health, group homes and residential centers, day and residential treatment, early intervention, home-based care and treatment, psychiatric centers, rehabilitation programs, and juvenile justice programs, and

Whereas the National Partnership for Juvenile Services advocates for the highest standards in care, management and programming for youth involved in the juvenile justice system,

Therefore, be it resolved that the National Partnership for Juvenile Services recognizes and supports the excellent efforts of the Association of Child and Youth Care Practice (ACYCP), in its promotion of Competencies for Professional Child and Youth Work Practitioners and a national certification that is sanctioned by the professional child and youth care community for practitioners across practice settings, and

Be it further resolved that the credentialing/certifying of child and youth work practitioners promoted by the ACYCP serves the best interests of youth involved in the juvenile justice system and the public.

Approved by NPJS Governing Body:
July 20, 2010