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YI's Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care Program Receives First in State Certification

July 14, 2010 - Youth Alternatives Ingraham's Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care program (MTFC) was recently certified by the Center for Research to Practice (CR2P), the first treatment foster care program in the state to receive such certification. Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care is a brief yet effective program. Studies have shown that a 6 to 12 month placement can make a lifelong difference for a teen. While living in a foster home with a foster parent trained in the MTFC model, the teen learns effective problem-solving as well as social and emotional skills.

The CR2P certification process is intended to assess a program's ability to implement the MTFC model as recommended and maintain adherence to the model over time. CR2P uses seven criteria to evaluate certification status. Program certification confirms that YI's MTFC program meets model fidelity standards and produces treatment outcomes that are similar to those of the model program operated by OSLC Community Programs as measured in the scientific evaluations that have been conducted of the model. This initial certification is valid for two years.

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