

TREATMENT & FAMILY FOSTER CARE



ABOUT OUR FOSTER CARE PROGRAMS

NYAP's Treatment and Family Foster Care programs provide services to children with histories of and/or current emotional and behavioral problems as well as children with serious physical and medical conditions. Our programming is highly specialized in addressing the treatment needs of children in care, and crisis intervention services are readily available and provided to youth and their caregivers. Additionally, NYAP is a well-respected provider because of our ability to place and stabilize children and youth who may have the greatest treatment needs.

NYAP has been providing traditional and therapeutic foster care, family preservation services and behavioral health services for over 40 years, with a lengthy history of serving youth and families with complex, multi-system needs who present with a multitude of challenges. We provide a continuum of services to promote family reunification, support permanency for children and youth and to reduce the length of stay in foster care.

NYAP has been successful in keeping sibling groups placed together, maintaining stability of children and youth in foster care settings and the rate of disruption. We work in partnership with state and county custodial agencies to promote outcomes of safety, permanency and well-being for every youth placed in foster care. The goal of permanency and reunification is continuously supported in our services, and we aggressively work to place children in close proximity to their home and natural supports.

NYAP'S FOSTER PARENT NETWORK

NYAP foster parents are equipped to meet the needs of their foster youth in the various capacities:

- TRANSPORTATION
- HOUSING
- CRISIS SUPPORT
- LEGAL ADVOCACY
- RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES
- EDUCATION
- SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES
- MEDICAL SUPPORT

Beginning as a community-based alternative for youth in the juvenile justice system, NYAP quickly evolved into a foster care agency. Foster care is now NYAP's largest service.

NYAP foster parents and staff have a strength-based, family-focused and trauma competent orientation to care and practice. We assess for all areas of need and use those needs as a basis for child-centered work. Specially trained treatment foster parents are essential team members and partners with the child's birth family.

From the origins of the agency, we have always sought to assure that children and teenagers have as many age or developmentally appropriate experiences as possible despite their out-of-home placement setting. NYAP staff support foster caregivers to provide the greatest standard of normalcy as possible.

NYAP has been successful in immersing itself in local communities to provide birth and foster families with both formal and informal supports which promote case plan attainment and sustainability of change within the family unit.

*"What we would you say to someone who is considering becoming a foster parent is that NYAP is totally supportive. From the awesome support and weekly therapeutic services we receive, **NYAP has made it easy for us to sincerely enjoy fostering.** Receiving the one-on-one support and 24-7 help ... it has made it amazing to be a foster parent."*

— MATT & AARON, FLORIDA

NYAP FOSTER CARE PROGRAM RESULTS 2019



94%

of Foster Care placements had 2 or fewer moves



99%

of Foster Care children/youth remained free from new incidents of abuse/neglect during course of treatment with NYAP



91%

of persons served through Foster Care and Emergency Shelter Care achieved educational success defined as regular school attendance/participation, passing grades, achievement of high school equivalency or high school diploma



95%

of persons served through Foster Care and Emergency Shelter Care developed a connection to a reliable adult during course of treatment at NYAP

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