

Who are we?

Member agencies have played a significant role in the social service delivery system since the late 1800's. Our long history provides a strong foundation on which we continue to develop innovative and unique responses to the continuing needs of children, youth and young parent families in our communities with both residential and non-residential care facilities.

The changing face of our service reflects the diversity of the persons who seek out assistance and their individual needs.

Delivering services in collaboration with many other organizations helps ensure cooperation and a coordinated, comprehensive response to individual needs. Those organizations include child welfare, young offenders, child care, education and health.

Member agencies are governed by community Boards of Directors and staffed by professionals and volunteers.

A listing of our member agencies can be found on our website at www.OntchildYPRO.ca

Benefits of membership

- The Ontchild/YPRO network benefits both the agencies and those we serve through promoting education, networking and information sharing opportunities.
- Member agencies share common goals and as an association we join together to communicate and address mutual concerns with other agencies and the Ministry.
- All Ontchild/YPRO members benefit from free training available through Safeguards. For more information about training opportunities visit: <http://safeguards-training.net>



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**Working together to provide
a comprehensive system of
early intervention,
prevention and treatment
services meeting the needs
of children, youth and
young families across
Ontario.**

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Services Provided

Ontchild/YPRO members provide a continuum of service including:

Community-Based and Clinical Support

- Individual, couple and family counselling
- Housing access and housing
- Employment programs
- LGBT Youth Programming
- Pre-natal support
- Youth Justice Programs

Outreach

- Prenatal supports, nutrition
- Parenting, childcare supplies
- Fathers programs
- Prevention in schools
- Drop-in and outreach groups
- Shelter outreach
- Peer mentors

Early Infant/Child Development

- Full-day programs, including parenting
- Attachment assessment/treatment
- Day and overnight respite
- Childcare

School-based Support Services

- Section 23 care and treatment and alternative education
- Prevention and intervention in regular schools
- Suspension programs

Residential Care and Treatment

- Pre and post-natal
- Resource for parent and infant
- Ensuring thriving infant and attachment
- Up to 89% success (less costly than child welfare care)
- Voluntary mental health placements
- Open custody/detention placements

Outcomes

- Serving more than 10,000 young parents, children, youth and their families annually
- Providing the resources parents need for success: child-care equipment, toys, food, clothing, transportation, income, etc.
- Reducing teen pregnancy rates
- Supporting infant/child development
- Developing parenting skills and enhancing attachment
- Providing timely support for at-risk youth and their families
- Providing opportunities for higher education and employment
- Accessing affordable housing
- Significantly reducing risk factors
- Lowering Child Welfare costs and increasing intact families
- Developing life skills required for successful independent living

