



Connections to permanence

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((Key Stakeholders))

Anu Family Services is very excited to announce that we have recently been reaccredited by COA (Council on Accreditation) with the highest honor of "Expedited Accreditation" which means that Anu has no remedial action to take as a result of our 3-day on-site review.

Anu has been accredited since its inception in 1992 and has a proud history of exceeding quality standards. Below is a quote from COA that we received in our notification of accreditation letter:

"On behalf of the Council on Accreditation (COA), I am delighted to inform you that Anu Family Services has been accredited. In addition, Anu Family Services was expedited through the Pre-Commission Review Report (PCR) process as a result of not receiving any out-of-compliance ratings in any of the fundamental practice standards. Congratulations on this amazing achievement." ~COA

Some other comments from our on-site COA reviewers are as follows, as they relate to the following COA standards:

- Foster Care (FC):
 - Anu should be commended for our efforts in permanence and cultural links to children's family, friends, etc., and for helping them preserve their memories.
- Training and Supervision (TS):
 - Anu's best practices and research are commendable and COA believes we should pursue avenues to have a national impact.
- Behavior Supports and Management (BSM):
 - Anu truly understands the impact of trauma on children.
- Ethical (ETH):
 - Anu is extremely mission-driven and focused on research and doing the best we can in every way we can.
- Performance and Quality Improvement (PQI):
 - Quality is permeated through everything Anu is doing

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- The reviewers said they have never seen quality outcomes done better at another agency; they were “inspired”
- Clients’ Rights (CR):
 - Anu makes great strides to maintain client confidentiality
 - At Anu, clients are aware of their rights, involved and have a clear sense of empowerment to participate in their treatment and who to get support from.

Thank you for your continued support of Anu Family Service’s programs and services. We are dedicated to maintaining the highest quality standards to achieve nationally-recognized outcomes in child permanence and placement stability.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 715-386-1547, ext. 302.

Sincerely,

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