

**MORRISON CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES
HAS BEEN REACCREDITED BY THE COUNCIL ON ACCREDITATION**

PORTLAND, OR – April 6, 2009 – The Council on Accreditation (COA) has reaccredited Morrison Child and Family Services through a rigorous process conducted over the past several months. COA Accreditation is designed to identify health care and human service organizations that have set high performance standards for themselves and have made a commitment to their constituents to deliver the highest quality services. The process involves a detailed review and analysis of both an organization’s administrative operations and its service delivery practices. All are “measured” against national standards of best practice. These standards emphasize services that are accessible, appropriate, culturally responsive, evidence based, and outcomes-oriented. In addition, they confirm that the services are provided by a skilled and supported workforce and that all individuals are treated with dignity and respect.

Morrison Child and Family Services is the leading provider of children’s mental health services in Multnomah County. A private, non-profit organization headquartered in Portland since 1947, Morrison employs proven, evidence-based practices to support children who have suffered from family abuse, substance abuse, neglect, and other traumas, resulting in mental and emotional issues. For more information about Morrison Child and Family Services, call 503-258-4200. www.morrisonkids.org.

Founded in 1977, COA is an independent not-for-profit international accreditor of the full continuum of community-based behavioral health care and human service organizations. Today, over 1800 organizations—public and private—are either COA accredited or are in the process of seeking accreditation. COA-certified organizations serve over 7 million of our most vulnerable individuals each year.

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