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**KAISER PERMANENTE AWARDS \$20,000 TO MORRISON CHILD AND FAMILY  
SERVICES FOR LATINO SERVICES**

PORTLAND, OR – May 11, 2009 – Kaiser Permanente honored Morrison Child and Family Services by awarding a continuation grant of \$20,000 to support its Latino Cultural Competency Service Project.. Morrison’s continued efforts from hiring diverse staff to offering care that is both clinically effective and culturally sensitive make it a natural partner for Kaiser Permanente. With Kaiser Permanente’s help over the past grant period, Morrison hired a cultural consultant, formed connections with Latino service providers, forged relationships with Latino organizations in the community and solicited input from Latino clients on how to tailor programs to best meet their needs.

Sue Hennessy, Vice President of Health Plan Services, says, “From senior leadership on down through the ranks, Kaiser Permanente is a strong supporter of culturally-sensitive service delivery and we share that goal with Morrison Child and Family Services. We are proud to once again support this outstanding community organization.”

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 or visit [www.morrisonkids.org](http://www.morrisonkids.org).

Kaiser Permanente is an integrated managed care organization that contributes to community well-being by increasing access to health care.

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