

The YCS Mission



To partner with at-risk and special needs children, youth and young adults to build happier, healthier, more hopeful lives within families and communities.

Our Accreditations



YCS has maintained accreditation with the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) since 1980.



Founded in 1966 as the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, CARF is an independent, nonprofit accrediting body whose mission is to promote the quality, value, and optimal outcomes of services through a consultative accreditation process that centers on enhancing the lives of persons served.

YCS is a member of the
NJ Association of Community Providers (NJACP)
NJ Association of Mental Health Agencies
NJ Alliance for Children, Youth & Families
Autism New Jersey

YCS Sawtelle Locations

Sawtelle Home -Camden

Accommodates 4 boys under 21

Sawtelle Home - New Brunswick

Accommodates 4 girls under 21

Sawtelle Residence - Thomas St., Paterson

Accommodates 6 young men and women over 21 in three joining apartments

Sawtelle Residence - Buffalo St., Paterson

Accommodates 4 young men and women over 21

Sawtelle Hall - Holley Center, Hackensack

Accommodates 4 boys/girls ages 5-14.5 including medically fragile children

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About YCS

Youth Consultation Service (YCS) is one of N J's leading private, non-profit social services agencies. Established in 1918, YCS is committed to advocating, educating, sheltering, and caring for the state's most vulnerable children. In 2010 YCS expanded its services to include in-home and residential care for individuals with developmental and intellectual disabilities.



Richard Mingoia
YCS President and CEO

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Sawtelle Homes & Residences

Helping individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities acquire daily life and social skills in a natural home-like setting



They have embraced our son and truly appreciate his personality. The staff gets him and they have given him the incentive to control his behaviors. We are amazed at how quickly our son's behavior has improved. Sawtelle has been the best medicine for our heartache.

Denise Sumner
Parent

Serving New Jersey's Northern, Upper Central, Lower Central and Southern Regions

Sawtelle Homes & Residences serve

YCS Sawtelle Homes & Residences were opened to provide intensive behavioral interventions for children, ages 5 - 25, with acute developmental and intellectual disabilities (including autism spectrum disorders) and co-occurring behavioral disorders in home-like environments.

Loving, often bewildered, families turn to YCS when they are no longer able to manage their children's defiant, aggressive or self-injurious behaviors. Sawtelle Home & Residences give family members peace of mind knowing that their child is learning how to control their behaviors in a safe caring and nurturing environment.

Staff is committed to engaging family members in this learning process whenever possible.

Residents have their own bedrooms, share family-style meals with staff and enjoy one-on-one recreational activities.

A typical day at a Sawtelle Home or Residence

In the morning each resident is assisted dressing and taking care of his or her personal hygiene needs before sitting down to breakfast with other residents and staff.

Residents then either leave for school or a sheltered workshop. Upon returning to the Home, they enjoy a snack and then work individually on an IHP goal - they may for example, play a board game or puzzle with a counselor.

Residents and staff engage in typical family-like conversation over dinner. Afterwards, a resident may exercise with Wii, play a musical instrument, or relax while watching TV. Activities are geared to the individual interests of the residents.

Regular outings include swimming, bowling, walks in the neighborhood, a trip to the mall, library, or other self-selected recreational activities.

Sawtelle Services

YCS- Sawtelle provides intensive behavioral support to children in a natural environment.

Our caring staff works intensely with the child to support the child's positive functioning manage and eliminate challenging behaviors, increase home skills (including self care and activities of daily living) and improve leisure skills through community activities such as trips to a shopping center, park or movie.



Behavioral Service Components include:

- * Functional assessments for skill development,
- * Functional Behavioral Assessments,
- * Positive Behavioral Support Strategies
- * Functional Communication training

YCS Clinical Staff

All clinical services are provided by highly trained, caring YCS staff that may include:

- Licensed Clinical Social Workers (LCSW)
- ABA Therapists
- Psychiatric Advanced Practice Nurses (APN)
- Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBA)
- Certified Teachers of Students with Disabilities
- Occupational Therapists
- Speech and Language Therapists
- Psychiatrist
- Ph.D. Psychologists
- Developmental Pediatrician



***All staff are certified in CPI,
Handle with Care and
Boggs Training***

The staff at Sawtelle Home is very generous with me. They always make me feel welcome. I can visit often and they allow me to be very hands on with my son's care. I am so grateful for everyone at YCS who has taken my family under their wings.

Janice Breslin
Parent



Giving Families Hope



Some of the residents with autism spectrum disorder attend a YCS Sawtelle Learning Center in either Montclair or Collingswood.

Daily communication between teachers and counselors allows for a more cohesive transition of skills being developed at both sites.

Referrals to Sawtelle Homes & Residences may be made to YCS through the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) or private insurance carriers.