BRYCS Mission

Your information hub for empowering immigrant children & their families.

By maintaining the nation’s largest online collection of resources on this topic, BRYCS increases information sharing and promotes collaboration at the local, state, regional, and national levels.

BRYCS Beginnings

BRYCS was formed in 2001.

From 2001-2013, BRYCS served as the Federal Office of Refugee Resettlement’s (ORR) national technical assistance provider on refugee child welfare. Serving as a bridge between service providers aiding refugees and public child welfare professionals in the United States, BRYCS became an invaluable informational resource in the areas of child welfare, family strengthening, education, youth development, early childhood, and refugee populations in general.

During this time, BRYCS conducted national needs assessments, cross-service trainings, and roundtable discussions; presented workshops at hundreds of conferences; consulted on numerous complex cases; and implemented a child welfare training program for the over 50 programs funded by ORR’s Division of Unaccompanied Children’s Services.

In 2009, the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC) honored BRYCS in with their Award for the Advancement of Cultural Competency in Child Maltreatment Prevention and Intervention.

Popular Resources

- Raising Children in a New Country: An Illustrated Handbook
- Raising Young Children in a New Country: Supporting Early Learning & Healthy Development
- BRYCS Toolkits on refugees & . . .
  - Child Care
  - Child Welfare
  - Guardianship
  - Maya Health
  - Parenting
  - Schools
  - Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS)
  - Youth Development
- BRYCS Training Materials on Preventing Child Maltreatment
- Cultural Considerations for Service Providers Working with . . .
  - Somali Bantu Refugees
  - Liberian Refugees
  - Strengthening Services for Refugee Parents: Guidelines & Resources

Bridging Refugee Youth & Children’s Services

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Promising Practices

includes over 100 documented “promising practices” from all over the United States that cover a broad range of topics, refugee groups & practices.

Get new ideas, share your promising practice & read about other refugee programs across the country!

BRYCS Refugee Portal . . .

was created to ensure that refugees have easy access to multilingual resources in the most common refugee languages in all BRYCS focus areas.

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