



## **Getting the Word Out...**

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“A Strategic Approach to Reunification for Juveniles  
with Placements out of Home”**

William E. Painter, Jr., Senior Director, Organizational Development, Institute for Family Centered Services, presented at the 2010 American Counseling Association (ACA) Annual Conference and exposition in Pittsburgh, PA.

The American Counseling Association is a not-for-profit, professional and educational organization that is dedicated to the growth and enhancement of the counseling profession. Founded in 1952, ACA is the world's largest association exclusively representing professional counselors in various practice settings. The ACA Annual Conference & Exposition is the largest gathering of professional counselors in the world and is the premier source for professional development across all counseling specialties and work settings.

Mr. Painter addressed the components of successful reunification from out-of-home placement in his presentation of “A Strategic Approach to Reunification for Juveniles with Placements Out of Home.” He discussed typical barriers, with practical tools to overcome them, and a process for engaging parent(s) in the process. Participants learned how to coach parent(s) in their interaction/communication with their placed juvenile, how to guide “visits” to become part of the “change” process and how to guide and coach the parents to develop the “parental alliance” often needed by multiple adult caregivers.