

Stronger Systems Start with Strong People.



Together, we can build a stronger future for Alberta's children and youth.



Strengthening the people who support children and youth.



Across Alberta, there is increasing recognition that supporting children and youth with complex needs requires a strong, stable, and well-supported workforce.

Child and Youth Care practitioners are central to this work. They are present in:



Mental health and addiction services



Child intervention and residential care



Schools and community-based programs

As systems continue to respond to growing demand, an important question is emerging:

How do we better support the people providing frontline care?

At the Child and Youth Care Association of Alberta (CYCAA), we are beginning conversations across the sector focused on:



Strengthening foundational training for practitioners



Supporting workforce development and retention



Exploring longer-term pathways toward professional recognition



This work is still in early stages, and we are approaching it collaboratively—with agencies, post-secondary partners, and government.



We see this as an opportunity to **strengthen** not only the profession, but **the broader system** supporting children and youth.



If you are interested in being part of these conversations, we welcome a connection.

Please take a moment to answer a couple of questions in this short survey.



Building the future of Child and Youth Care in Alberta.



Supporting the workforce behind the work.



Stronger systems. Stronger communities. Stronger futures.

Together, we can build something stronger—for the people who support children and youth every day. 