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Lawrence Hall Youth Services' CEO Elected to Board of Directors of National Membership Organization

Chicago – January 26, 2010—Mary Hollie, Chief Executive Officer of Lawrence Hall Youth Services, a child welfare organization based in Chicago, has recently been elected to the board of directors of the Alliance for Children and Families, North America's largest association of private, nonprofit human service providers. Hollie joins 31 other national leaders on the Alliance Board of Directors.

The Milwaukee-based Alliance is a nonprofit national membership organization with more than 330 member organizations. The Alliance strengthens the capacities of its members to serve and advocate for children, families, and communities. Motivated by a vision of a healthy society and strong communities, the Alliance also works to strengthen America's nonprofit sector and, through advocacy, assure the sector's continued independence.

Peter Goldberg, president and CEO of the Alliance, says, "Mary Hollie will be a great asset to the Alliance Board of Directors. Her professional background, compassionate perspective, and experiences with Lawrence Hall Youth Services will undoubtedly be positive for this board."

"Being a part of this network of organizations that provide an array of community-based programs and services to all generations, serving close to 3.4 million people each year, is an honor," says Hollie. "I am looking forward to working with my colleagues at the Alliance to strengthen the human services' system, shape public policy, and maintain standards for service delivery, at a national level".

Lawrence Hall Youth Services is a child welfare agency that treats, educates and provides a home for some of the most at-risk children in Illinois. Approximately 16,000 children are wards of the state of Illinois. Lawrence Hall Youth Services provides highly specialized and individualized care for children and adolescents with severe emotional and behavioral challenges due to trauma, abuse and neglect. Lawrence Hall is a critical link in the Illinois child welfare system, caring for nearly 1,000 infants, children, adolescents and their families each year, equipping them with the tools and skills they need to set them on the path toward becoming proud, productive participants in society. For more information, visit www.lawrencehall.org.

More information about the Alliance is available at www.alliance1.org.

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