

YAI/NIPD NETWORK CHOSEN AS NATIONAL AWARD RECIPIENT

The YAI/NIPD Network recognized by the American Psychological Association as the National Recipient of the "Psychologically Healthy Workplace Award" for 2007

We are pleased to announce that the YAI/NIPD Network has been recognized by the [American Psychological Association](#) as the recipient of the National "Psychologically Healthy Workplace Award" for 2007. This prestigious program recognizes organizations that have demonstrated a commitment to workplace well being and created policies that enhance the quality of the work environment for their employees.

This prestigious national award is a validation of the values that all members of the YAI/NIPD Network family share: Mutual respect, open communication, participatory management, and recognition of excellence, integrity and trust. It confirms our commitment to building brighter futures for people of all ages with developmental and learning disabilities, and for each other.

We are proud to be recognized by the [American Psychological Association](#) for creating a supportive, nurturing environment in which staff are empowered and encouraged to take creative risks, ownership, and to have a voice. We are proud to provide staff and their families with benefits and supports that enhance their lives in and outside of work. The APA particularly noted YAI/NIPD's efforts and accomplishments in providing staff with the training to help our consumers reach their goals, and to make their own professional dreams come true. Further, the YAI/NIPD Network was acknowledged for ensuring the highest quality of care for our consumers by recognizing that our staff, as people, are as important as what they do.

The competition for this award was extremely high. The APA visited companies and organizations throughout the United States, and interviewed staff at all levels to hear what they had to say about working there. We are truly honored that staff from throughout the YAI/NIPD Network communicated that they feel they are appreciated, supported, respected and empowered.

As partners in assisting us in recruiting the best possible staff, you can take pride and satisfaction in knowing that an organization that values your participation and utilizes your services has been recognized with such a tremendous honor. Thank you for your partnership, which has supported our work in carrying out our mission of making the YAI/NIPD Network a dynamic, positive, nurturing work environment for the 5,000 staff members who, each and every day, deliver services of the highest caliber to our 20,000 consumers and families.

Together, in partnership with you, we have accomplished so much. And we can look forward to continuing to work together, provide meaningful careers to your students and graduates, and to ensure that the YAI/NIPD Network remains a place where staff feel respected and are assisted in being all they can be in their professional and personal lives.