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BOARD OF CHILD CARE RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS REACCREDITATION

BALTIMORE – (September 13, 2011) The Board of Child Care, a Baltimore-based child welfare agency, recently received a four-year reaccreditation from the Council on Accreditation (COA), reaffirming the agency’s commitment to excellence in serving children and families across Maryland, DC and West Virginia.

The Board of Child Care (BCC) received its first accreditation from COA in 1998. This year marks BCC’s third reaccreditation. COA is an entity that partners with human service organizations worldwide to improve service delivery outcomes.

The COA reaccreditation process involved all BCC staff, from senior management to direct care workers, who worked to demonstrate compliance to a set of strict standards developed by COA. In addition to meeting a series of administrative, management and service delivery standards, BCC was reaccredited in the following program areas: Adoption Services, Early Childhood Education, Foster Care Services, Group Living Services, Intercountry Adoption Services, Outpatient Mental Health Services, Youth Independent Living Services, and Ways to Work.

Due to BCC’s outstanding performance in meeting the standards in the areas listed above, COA sent notification of BCC’s successful reaccreditation in just 10 days.

“We are quite proud of this accomplishment,” said BCC President and CEO Thomas Curcio. “Reaccreditation through COA demonstrates that BCC goes beyond state regulatory expectations in every aspect of program operations and agency standards, which can translate into more referrals to BCC’s programs and agency expansion opportunities. Reaccreditation can also give referral sources, parents and licensing bodies ‘piece of mind’ they made the right choice when placing their child in BCC’s care. Most importantly, reaccreditation means BCC continues to do what it has always done – provide the best quality care for children and families every single day.”

ABOUT THE BOARD OF CHILD CARE

The Board of Child Care is a nonprofit, multi-service organization serving children and families in Maryland, West Virginia and the District of Columbia as an outreach ministry of the United Methodist Church. Programs include residential care, foster care, early childhood education, therapeutic counseling, adoption services, special education and the Ways to Work car loan program. Learn more at www.boardofchildcare.org.