## **RPAC** information for Service Providers

Service providers (including the placing agency or the residential provider) must notify Contact Brant within 7 days of a placement being made so that an RPAC review can be held within 45 days of the placement, as mandated by the CYFSA, Sections 62 to 66. Contact Brant coordinates and conducts reviews for children from the Brant region regardless of where in the province the child is placed.

Notify Contact Brant: information@contactbrant.net or 519-758-8228.

RPAC is part of the children's safeguard system and as such can play an important role in 'speaking' about issues that children sometimes face while living in a treatment and/or care program.

Placement reviews are a child's right and their voice is at the centre of the process. RPAC involves parents, guardians and service providers in the review process and formulates recommendations. Primarily RPAC determines if the program including location and length of stay is considered to be beneficial to the child based on identified needs, goals and circumstances.

It is every provider's responsibility to advise the child and family that it is their right to participate in the RPAC process when they live in a group home or foster care upon each admission.