Membership:
for the well-being of all children and families
At CWLA, we know that collaboration is key to improving the lives of children and families.

That’s why we bring together and connect thousands of child-serving professionals – representing organizations small and large, rural and urban, public and private – to leverage the power of collective problem solving.

This diverse coalition is connected by a common goal – securing bright futures for all children.
As our communities grow and evolve, so must we all evolve to better meet their needs.

CWLA equips our members with the innovative resources, guidance, and connections – to policy-makers and to each other – that are essential to providing the best possible support to the children and families we serve.

CWLA partners with our members, harnessing our collective expertise to effect change that matters for those who need it most.
CWLA’s National Blueprint for Excellence in Child Welfare is a sweeping framework for realizing a future where all children can grow up safely, in loving families and supportive communities.

Together, these tools help members move the field forward, outlining systems of care that are equitable and effective.

CWLA’s programmatic Standards of Excellence are the foundation for sound U.S. child welfare practice, developed by a diverse group of national experts to reflect the best current theory and practice.
A major focus of the CWLA National Blueprint is fostering cross-sector collaboration.

CWLA provides connection, uniting members from across the country to share resources, ideas, and experiences with their peers.

Members work together on committees and advisory boards, leveraging their expertise to shape the future of child welfare.
CWLA is a strong and powerful advocate for children and families.

We inform and educate members of Congress and the Administration about the field of child welfare, conducting meaningful conversations with policy-makers on issues that matter to our members.

Through CWLA, members directly influence the direction of federal policy, effecting significant change for the children and families they serve.
CWLA’s comprehensive training opportunities are designed to deepen the knowledge and skills of workers and caregivers, leading to more strengths-based, prevention-focused systems of care.

Extensive learning opportunities empower members to embrace continuous development.

CWLA consultants work directly with members to develop creative, practical strategies that help build stronger organizations and communities.
CWLA publications tackle issues at the heart of child welfare practice, affording members front-row seats to cutting-edge developments in the field.

CWLA’s Child Welfare Journal is a peer-reviewed bimonthly journal that links the latest findings in child welfare with best practice, policy, and program development.

The award-winning Children’s Voice magazine focuses on issues affecting the field, with a spotlight on CWLA members who are moving practice forward.
Members receive *The Children’s Monitor*, a weekly breakdown of federal policy, and attend open-mics with politicians and leaders in the field.

CWLA’s members-only website provides valuable resources for easy reference.

A member forum, launching soon, will allow for direct connection and idea exchange.
CWLA’s cost-saving benefits include significant discounts on:
- Conferences
- Publications
- Trainings
- Consultation services

CWLA’s longstanding partnerships bring members savings on online courses, job boards, purchasing collaboratives, workforce solutions and more!
The best thing about membership? **Staff at all levels** are able to fully participate in membership benefits!

Line staff, supervisors, administrators, and senior leadership can all access resources, join committees, and attend members-only events.
CWLA lifts up its members – with knowledge, expertise, and community – so they can better lift up the children and families they serve.

Read more about how CWLA membership can benefit your organization by visiting www.cwla.org/membership