

# JBS International, Inc., seeks **NYTD Reviewers** for National Youth in Transition Database Reviews



## **WHAT IS THE NATIONAL YOUTH IN TRANSITION DATABASE?**

The National Youth in Transition Database (NYTD) is a mandatory federal reporting system that collects data from states about youth demographics, the services youth receive, and the outcomes they experience as they transition out of foster care. The data are used to determine how, and how well, states prepare youth for adulthood.

## **WHAT ARE THE NYTD REVIEWS AND HOW DO NYTD REVIEWERS PARTICIPATE IN THEM?**

The NYTD Review is a comprehensive evaluation of a state's system, policies, and practices related to collecting and reporting accurate, reliable, and complete data on youth in transition from foster care. The onsite review requires travel to the state. A joint federal-state team conducts the onsite review of each state's NYTD system.

NYTD Reviewers provide unique expertise as youth with lived experience in the child welfare system as they participate on the federal team in case record reviews that assess the accuracy and appropriateness of services delivered to youth in foster care; conduct stakeholder interviews with state personnel and other young people to understand how a state

has implemented NYTD data collection, analysis, and use; and provide assistance with the state final report that summarizes findings and recommendations from the review.

JBS International, Inc., manages the Child Welfare Compliance Reviews Team (CWCRT) for the Children's Bureau, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Through CWCRT, the Children's Bureau maintains a national pool of approximately 20 NYTD Reviewers who meet minimum requirements to support the Children's Bureau in administering the federal NYTD Reviews.

## **RECRUITMENT**

The Children's Bureau encourages JBS to recruit qualified applicants who are from diverse geographic, racial, ethnic, demographic, and linguistic backgrounds to adequately reflect the diversity of the areas being reviewed. NYTD Reviewers gain knowledge by participating in a quality training for which they are compensated, and for which travel costs are covered. Participation in the NYTD Reviews enhances the NYTD Reviewer's skills and resume, and provides the opportunity to participate as part of a federal team. Meaningful connections are the ultimate result of this process.

Prospective NYTD Reviewers may begin the process by reviewing information on the NYTD reporting system on the Children's Bureau website at <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/research-data-technology/reporting-systems/nytd>. Interested young people may request an application package by emailing JBS at [cw@jbsinternational.com](mailto:cw@jbsinternational.com).





## MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Young people between the ages of 18–25 from diverse racial and ethnic backgrounds who have spent time in foster care after the age of 14.
- Engagement at the state level in youth boards and professional leadership or child welfare advocacy.
- Strong assessment skills, including the ability to:
  - (1) gather information from written documents; (2) review the collection of information from various sources

contained in case records; (3) compile information obtained from various sources contained in case records; and (4) make professional judgments based on the information contained in the case records.

- Demonstrated strong written and verbal communication skills.
- Availability and willingness to travel to other states to participate in training and weeklong review activities (including a willingness to work long hours and to participate in debriefings at the end of each review day).

## PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Young people who participate or have participated in the NYTD survey.
- Young people with prior professional, leadership, or advocacy experience in the child welfare field.
- Engagement at the state level in NYTD work either through: (1) outreach to other young people in foster care to administer the NYTD survey; (2) contributions to the state in the formation of the NYTD outreach process; and/or (3) participation in teen conferences or state- or national-level convenings on NYTD.



For more information see <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb/monitoring/nytd-reviews>.

You may also call, write, or email:

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