



***VIP Community Services Supports Children of Alcoholics Week  
February 13-19, 2011***

An estimated 25 percent of all children in the United States (about 27.8 million) are affected by or exposed to a family alcohol problem. *VIP Community Services* supports the National Association for Children of Alcoholics (NACoA) during its Children of Alcoholics (COA) Week, February 13-19, 2011.

COA Week celebrates the recovery of the many thousands of children (of all ages) who have received the help they needed to recover from the pain and losses suffered in their childhood, and it offers hope to those still suffering from the adverse impact of parental alcohol and drug addiction.

During this annual celebration of hope and healing, *VIP Community Services* would like you to help us to spread the word on how frequently children are affected by a parent's suffering from alcohol/drug addictions.

DID YOU KNOW....

- **An estimated 25 percent of all children in the United States (about 27.8 million) are affected by or exposed to a family alcohol problem.**
- **Alcoholism and other drug addiction tend to run in families. Children of addicted parents are more at risk for alcoholism and other drug abuse than are other children.**
- **Families affected by alcoholism report higher levels of conflict than do families with no alcoholism.**
- **A relationship between parental addiction and child abuse has been documented in a large proportion of child abuse and neglect cases.**
- **Children of addicted parents have a high rate of behavior problems.**

Become an advocate of support and assistance for the children of alcoholics.

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