Ambitious and amazing are just a few of the words used when it comes to describing the wonderful and talented Parry Aftab. Ms. Aftab is in the CircleSpeak Spotlight because of her dedication to keeping kids safe from cyberbullying. Her efforts are making a difference in the lives of so many young people. Ms. Aftab is recognized as a leading expert in cybercrime in the United States. She is also a lawyer, child advocate, and an expert in all segments of cyberlaw, cyberbullying, and cyberharrasment. Ms. Aftab has gone to great lengths to stay abreast of the topic of cyberbullying as it relates to tweens and teens. She has appeared as an on-air expert on numerous networks and shows, such as the Today Show, Good Morning America, CNN, Fox News, MSNBC, and most recently The View on ABC. Ms. Aftab also manages to find time to run a cybersafety charity known as WiredSafety, of which she is the founder. Ms. Aftab created the well-known cyberbullying prevention online website called StopCyberBullying.org. NCPC has tapped Ms. Aftab’s expertise as part of its podcast series on cyberbullying education for victim service providers. Recently Ms. Aftab hosted her 12th annual Wired Kid’s summit in Washington, DC, where she put tweens, teens, advocates, and professionals in one room to discuss the topic of cyberbullying. Ms. Aftab’s summit also featured Teenangels. Teenangels are teen volunteers between the ages of 13 and 18 who design and deliver offline presentations on all aspects of safe, private, and responsible Internet and wireless use to other teens, tweens, children, and parents. Teenangels have spread the word through peer-to-peer discussions and presentations on the topic of cybersafety. Teenangels chapters continue to grow in numbers as more and more teens and tweens pair up with Ms. Aftab to help her fight cyberbullying. Also in attendance were representatives from MTV, Nickelodeon, Disney, Microsoft, AOL, Build-A-Bear, Webkinz, and Facebook. Ms. Aftab took the opportunity to thank and award the representatives that were in attendance for all of their work and dedication in developing cyberbullying awareness. In turn, they all thanked her for her efforts and for being a huge advocate on such a major issue. Ms. Aftab and the Teenangels also honored NCPC and the CEO Ann M. Harkins, for its work in the cyberbullying prevention and education. When it comes to cyberbullying, the issue makes headlines every day, and every day it touches the lives of young people all around the country. Ms. Aftab has made it her mission to help educate children and youth on how to protect themselves from cyberbullying, and because of that she is “In the Spotlight.”

To learn more about Parry Aftab visit www.Aftab.com