

The Children's Assessment Center's Media Toolkit

Who We Are

The Children's Assessment Center (The CAC) provides a safe haven to sexually abused children and their families – a place where they can receive the kind of care and treatment they so richly deserve.

Mission of The CAC

The *mission* of The CAC is to provide a professional, compassionate and coordinated approach to the treatment of sexually abused children and their families and to serve as an advocate for all children in our community.

The CAC benefits child sexual abuse victims and their families by offering the following services:

Family
Advocacy &
Victim Support

Forensic
Interview
Services

Mental
Health
Services

Medical
Services

Sexual abuse spares no race, ethnicity, nationality, or socio-economic group. Sexual abuse is often covered by a veil of secrecy and silence, which, in turn, perpetuates the cycle and enables the abuse to continue. There are an estimated 39 million adult survivors of child sexual abuse in America today.

We served
3,915
children in 2020.



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Logos of The CAC



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Protect Children. Heal Families. Prevent Abuse.

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Share the Stats

- One in 10 children will be sexually abused before age 18.*¹
- 95% of sexual abuse is preventable through education and awareness.*²
- Approximately 79,000 minors and youth are victims of sex trafficking in Texas.*³
- There are 42 million sexual abuse survivors in the United States – how you report and cover stories may affect them.
- 90% of child sexual abuse victims know their abuser and perpetrators often groom victims and their families.*⁴
- Only 4-8% of child sexual abuse reports are fabricated.*⁵



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