

This training video is provided in partnership with the Dallas Children’s Advocacy Center. Some of the historical details of how the DCAC came about have been left in the video just so you are aware. There are MANY Child Advocacy Centers throughout the state of Texas. Check the website <https://www.cactx.org/> and write down the contact information of the center closest to you:

What was the process for children who made an outcry before the creation of Child Advocacy Centers?

The main functions of the Children’s Advocacy Center are to coordinate the _____, _____, and _____ for child abuse victims.

Purpose of a CAC:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Briefly describe the child’s experience when an outcry is made now (with a Child Advocacy Center close by).



What is the criteria for a case coming to the Child Advocacy Center?

Forensic Interviews are _____, neutral and _____
defensible interviews.

Describe the role of a Family Advocate at the Child Advocacy Center.

Describe the role of the mental health professionals at the Child Advocacy Center.

With Problematic _____ anyone in the
community can refer a child/family to the Child Advocacy Center.

Describe the role of the Community Education professionals at the Child Advocacy
Center.

Was there a statistic that really surprised you?

Write down any important details regarding the following topics:

Sexual Abuse

Sex Trafficking

Labor Trafficking



Physical Abuse

TEN-4-FACESp

T _____

E _____

N _____

FACES = anything on the face or head

4 – babies younger than 4 months should NOT have bruises

Emotional Abuse

Family Violence

Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)

Signs of abuse:

Trafficking info:

Signs of Grooming



What does the law say?

All childcare professionals are mandated reporters. I have _____ to make a report. I cannot _____ to another person to make a report.

When should I make a report?

What do I do when a child tells me something?

What are some errors people sometimes make when suspecting abuse?

Write down the website and phone numbers for reporting abuse:

Make sure you download the other handouts in the Materials Tab.

