

CHILD-PROTECTION RESOURCES FOR CHILDCARE PROVIDERS

While we don't know the exact numbers of children who participate in childcare programs, every year it is possible millions of children are involved in diverse programs. They are at the program site for anywhere from a few hours when participating in before or after-school programs to days when participating in camping programs.

The purpose of *Child-Protection Resources for Childcare Providers* is to provide specific resources about preventing the victimization of children in these environments and identifying child victims who may be participating in these programs.

This resource list will assist the organizations hosting these programs in their recruitment, screening, training, and supervision of caregivers who interact with children. It will also provide reporting hotlines, information, and safer facility design ideas.

Such organizations may be an attractive setting for those who seek to victimize children. Thus it is imperative for organizations to keep this in mind when recruiting and supervising personnel. And it is also imperative for organizations to do everything in their power to make their programs for children the safe and happy experiences they are meant to be.

REPORTING CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

Child Welfare Information Gateway

Children's Bureau/ACYF Eighth Floor 1250 Maryland Avenue, Southwest Washington, DC 20024-2141

Toll-free: 1-800-394-3366 Telephone: 703-385-7565

Fax: 703-385-3206

Internet: http://www.childwelfare.gov

Provides toll-free and local telephone numbers for reporting child abuse and neglect in each state. In most cases the toll-free numbers listed are only accessible from within the state. Also listed are links to state web sites, which may provide additional information.

Childhelp USA

Suite B 15757 North 78th Street Scottsdale, Arizona 85260-1629

Hotline: 1-800-4-A-CHILD (1-800-422-4453)

Telephone: 480-922-8212

Fax: 480-922-7061

Internet: http://www.childhelp.org

Staffed 24 hours daily by professional crisis counselors, this confidential Hotline is accessible throughout the U.S., its territories, and Canada. Through interpreters, communication is possible in 140 languages.

TRAINING

Praesidium Inc.

PO Box 202002 Arlington, Texas 76006-8002 Toll-free: 1-800-743-6354 Telephone: 817-801-7773

Fax: 817-261-7864

Internet: http://www.praesidiuminc.com

Praesidium provides training to create safer environments to help protect children, elderly, or vulnerable adults from abuse.

FACILITIES DESIGN

National Institute of Crime Prevention (NICP)

PO Box 172745

Tampa, Florida 33672-0745 Telephone: 813-294-9757 Internet: http://www.nicp.net

E-mail: info@nicp.net

Basic and Advanced Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design

Seminars are offered preparing law-enforcement officers, planners, architects, community-oriented policing officers, school-resource officers, security consultants, crime-prevention officers, and educators to work together to "Make Your Community Safer By Design."

U.S. General Services Administration (GSA)

Head Start Information and Publication Center

Suite 450

1133 - 15th Street, Northwest Washington, DC 20005-2700 Toll-free: 1-866-763-6481

Telephone: 202-737-1030

Fax: 202-737-1151

Internet: http://www.headstartinfo.org/publications/hs_design_guide/index.htm

The Head Start Center Design Guide, 2nd Edition, is available at the web site

for downloading.

PERSONNEL SCREENING

National Youth Development Information Center (NYDIC) National Human Services Assembly

Suite 402

1319 F Street, Northwest Washington, DC 20004-1112 Telephone: 202-347-2080

Fax: 202-393-4517

Internet: http://www.nassembly.org

http://www.nydic.org

Screening Volunteers to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse: A Community Guide for

Youth Organizations

Nonprofit Risk Management Center

Suite 210

1130 Seventeenth Street, Northwest

Washington, DC 20036-4643 Telephone: 202-785-3891

Fax: 202-296-0349

Internet: http://www.nonprofitrisk.org

E-mail: info@nonprofitrisk.org

Staff screening tool kit

U.S. Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention National Criminal Justice Reference Service (NCJRS)

PO Box 6000

Rockville, Maryland 20849-6000

Toll-free: 1-800-851-3420

TTY: 1-877-712-9279 or 301-947-8374

Telephone: 301-519-5500 (international callers)

Fax: 301-519-5212

Internet: http://www.ncjrs.gov

From the web-site search function, type Guidelines for Screening of Persons Working with Children, the Elderly, and Individuals with Disabilities in Need of Support.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

American Bar Association (ABA) Center on Children and the Law

740 - 15th Street, Northwest Washington, DC 20005-1019 Telephone: 202-662-1720

Fax: 202-662-1755

Internet: http://www.abanet.org/child

E-mail: child@abanet.org

The National Child Welfare Resource Center on Legal and Judicial Issues is dedicated to achieving safety, permanence, and well-being for abused and neglected children through improved laws and judicial decision-making.

American Humane Society, Children's Division

63 Inverness Drive East

Englewood, Colorado 80112-5117

Toll-free: 1-800-227-4645 Telephone: 303-792-9900

Fax: 303-792-5333

Internet: http://www.americanhumane.org

Through consultation, training, research and evaluation, advocacy, and information dissemination, American Humane continues its legacy of child protection.

Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA)

1275 Peachtree Street, Northeast Atlanta, Georgia 30309-3506

Toll-free: 1-800-854-CLUB (1-800-854-2582)

Telephone: 404-487-5700 Internet: http://www.bgca.org

E-mail: info@bgca.org

Club programs and services promote and enhance the development of boys and girls by instilling a sense of competence, usefulness, belonging, and influence.

Child Abuse Prevention Association (CAPA)

503 East 23rd Street

Independence, Missouri 64055-1175

Toll-free: 1-800-392-3738 (Missouri Hotline)

Telephone: 816-252-8388

Fax: 816-252-1337

Internet: http://www.childabuseprevention.org

E-mail: capa@childabuseprevention.org

The mission is to prevent and treat all forms of child abuse by creating changes in individuals, families, and society by strengthening relationships and promoting healing.

Child Welfare League of America (CWLA) National Data Analysis System (NDAS)

Third Floor

440 First Street, Northwest Washington, DC 20001-2085 Telephone: 202-638-2952

Fax: 202-638-4004

Internet: http://www.cwla.org or http://ndas.cwla.org

E-mail: ndas@cwla.org

CWLA is an association of more than 900 public and private nonprofit agencies assisting more than 3.5 million abused and neglected children and their families each year with a range of services. The National Data Analysis System (NDAS) is a part of CWLA's National Center for Research, Data, and Technology. NDAS puts child-welfare data and statistics at the fingertips of Internet users and promotes discussion around state and federal data issues in an effort to promote effective integration of research, policy, and practice.

Darkness to Light

Suite 200

7 Radcliffe Street

Charleston, South Carolina 29403-6183

Helpline: 1-866-FOR-LIGHT (1-866-367-5444)

Fax: 843-965-5449

Internet: http://www.darkness2light.org

Darkness to Light's *Stewards of Children* is a sexual abuse prevention training program educating adults to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse and motivating them to take action.

Kempe Center

1825 Marion Street

Denver, Colorado 80218-1122 Telephone: 303-864-5300

Fax: 303-864-5302

Internet: http://www.kempe.org

E-mail: info@kempe.org

The Kempe Center works to improve clinical service delivery systems and provide training, education, and consultation programs to prevent and treat child abuse and neglect in Colorado and throughout the nation.

National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC)

Mailstop K65

4770 Buford Highway, Northeast Atlanta, Georgia 30341-3724

Toll-free: 1-800-CDC-INFO (1-800-232-4636)

TTY: 1-888-232-6348 Fax: 770-488-1667

Internet: http://www.cdc.gov/ncipc

E-mail: cdcinfo@cdc.gov

The Center for Disease Control's Injury Center's free publications are designed for professional health practitioners, researchers, and consumers.

National Center for Missing & Exploited Children® (NCMEC)

Charles B. Wang International Children's Building

699 Prince Street

Alexandria, Virginia 22314-3175

Hotline: 1-800-THE-LOST® (1-800-843-5678)

TTY: 1-800-826-7653 Telephone: 703-274-3900

"Phone free" from Mexico: 001-800-843-5678 From other countries: 001-703-522-9320

Fax: 703-274-2200

Internet: http://www.missingkids.com CyberTipline: http://www.cybertipline.com NetSmartz: http://www.NetSmartz.org

The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children serves as a clearinghouse of information about missing and exploited children. It provides technical assistance to the public and law-enforcement agencies; distributes photographs of and descriptions about missing children worldwide; and coordinates child-protection education and prevention programs, training, and publications.

National Center for Victims of Crime (NCVC)

Suite 480

2000 M Street, Northwest Washington, DC 20036-3307

Toll-free: 1-800-FYI-CALL (1-800-394-2255)

TTY: 1-800-211-7996 Telephone: 202-467-8700 Fax: 202-467-8701

Internet: http://www.ncvc.org E-mail: gethelp@ncvc.org

NCVC offers help, information about options, and referrals to local services

anywhere in the country.

National Human Services Assembly

Suite 402

1319 F Street, Northwest Washington, DC 20004-1112 Telephone: 202-347-2080

Fax: 202-393-4517

Internet: http://www.nassembly.org E-mail: nassembly@nassembly.org

The National Assembly is a learning community where leaders with parallel responsibilities at different national nonprofit human service organizations such as Chief Executive Officers and Human Resources Directors share knowledge and expertise about their work in this sector.

National Sexual Violence Research Center (NSVRC)

123 North Enola Drive

Enola, Pennsylvania 17025-2521

Toll-free: 1-877-739-3895

TTY: 717-909-0715

Telephone: 717-909-0710

Fax: 717-909-0714

Internet: http://www.nsvrc.org

A National Resource Directory and Handbook Preventing Child Sexual Abuse

Internet: http://www.nsvrc.org/publications/directories/csa_directory/index.html

This resource directory specifically seeks to include and highlight child sexual abuse prevention organizations, programs, initiatives, and resources unique, innovative, and/or available for purchase/to be used as a model for other programs and communities. It primarily includes information about child sexual abuse prevention efforts in the United States. Additional resources from Canada, the United Kingdom, and Australia are also included.

Prevent Child Abuse America (PCAA)

Suite 200

500 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60611-3703 Telephone: 312-663-3520

Fax: 312-939-8962

Internet: http://www.preventchildabuse.org E-mail: mailbox@preventchildabuse.org Working with their chapters, PCAA provides leadership to promote and implement prevention efforts at both the national and local levels. Their *Healthy Families America Program* produces many publications for parents, guardians, and children.

Stop It Now!

Suite B-319

351 Pleasant Street

Northampton, Massachusetts 01060-3900

Confidential Helpline: 1-888-PREVENT (1-888-773-8368)

Telephone: 413-587-3500

Fax: 413-587-3505

Internet: http://www.stopitnow.org

E-mail: info@stopitnow.org

These programs reach out to adults who are concerned about inappropriate sexualized behavior in another adult, adolescent, or child and those concerned about their own thoughts or behaviors.

U.S. Department of Justice National Sex Offender Public Registry (NSOPR)

Internet: http://www.nsopr.gov

This web site provides public access to and the ability to search participating state web sites for public information regarding the presence or location of offenders, who, in most cases, have been convicted of sexually violent offenses committed against adults and children and certain sexual contact and other crimes committed against victims who are minors.

RESOURCE LIST FOR SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN

James Stanfield Company

PO Box 41058

Santa Barbara, California 93140-1058

Toll-free: 1-800-421-6534

Fax: 805-897-1187

Internet: http://www.stanfield.com E-mail: maindesk@stanfield.com

Offers a video library of educational materials for challenged and at-risk students.

National Dissemination Center For Children With Disabilities (NICHCY)

PO Box 1492

Washington, DC 20013-1492 Toll-free: 1-800-695-0285 Fax: 202-884-8441

Internet: http://www.nichcy.org

E-mail: nichcy@aed.org

This web site provides links to national resource lists and state resource sheets. NICHCY is the national information and referral center providing information about disabilities and disability-related issues for families, education, and other professionals.

National Rehabilitation Hospital (NRH)

102 Irving Street, Northwest Washington, DC 20010-2949 Telephone: 202-877-1620

Fax: 202-877-1602

Internet: http://www.nrhrehab.org

This web site provides links to additional disability resources. NRH conducts research funded by federal and private agencies and offers a full range of services for persons with physical disabilities.

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