



**CARTERET CHILDREN'S
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CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER (CAC) BENEFITS

- Compassionate support for children and their caregivers
- Child-friendly atmosphere
- Centralized location for multiple services
- Referrals to professionals
- Fewer victim interviews
- Higher rates of prosecution
- Increased satisfaction with the investigation system



OUR SERVICES

FORENSIC INTERVIEW

Forensic interviews conducted at the CAC are neutral, fact-finding discussions that are led by a trained professional. The information gathered from these interviews is legally defensible in court.

FORENSIC MEDICAL EXAMS

Forensic medical examinations are performed by a medical provider at the CAC who is specially trained in the investigation and treatment of child sexual and physical abuse.

CLINICAL COUNSELING

The CAC provides mental health counseling such as trauma-focused cognitive behavioral therapy, an evidence-based treatment that helps improve trauma symptoms and responses.

CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTERS CONSOLIDATE CARE, REDUCING CONTINUED TRAUMA AND ACCELERATING HEALING.

MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM CASE REVIEW

The CAC coordinates with a multidisciplinary team (professionals from multiple agencies) to review cases and plan the best legal and supportive action for the child victim.

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION | CHILD & FAMILY ADVOCACY

The CAC raises community awareness, educates the public about child abuse and provides resources for the safety and protection of children.