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Dr. Brenham is a board certified Family Medicine Physician in Springfield Illinois working with SIU Family and Community Medicine Federally Qualified Health Clinic. She is the Residency Program Director for SIU Family & Community Medicine. In this role she coordinates and oversees resident schedules and educational experiences as well as ensures the continued accreditation of the residency program. Dr. Brenham also has done extensive training and work in Child Maltreatment in particular in Child Sexual Abuse. She served on the Children's Justice Task Force from 2006 – 2016 which is a State Task Force made up of representatives from the medical field, law enforcement, DCFS, and legal system to look at state recommendations to promote the protection of children and provision of services to those that have been abused. She held the role of Vice-Chair in 2007-2008 and then the role of Chair from 2008 -2009. Dr. Brenham also has served on the Child Death Review Team since 2013 which reviews child death cases in central Illinois to provide recommendations for potential programs or initiatives to prevent future deaths related to possible child maltreatment. Dr. Brenham works with the Sangamon County Child Advocacy Center and other surrounding County Advocacy Centers to provide medical forensic exams and medical treatment for children that have been sexually abused. She sees children on a weekly basis on referral from the Child Advocacy Center, from private physicians, and from the police or DCFS services. Dr. Brenham also does case reviews for the Department of Children and Family Services and serves as an expert witness in court trials for child maltreatment cases. Dr. Brenham has served as a Board Member for the Children's Advocacy Centers of Illinois since 2016.