

2018 CACI TRAINING CALENDAR



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Goal:

To provide training opportunities to strengthen CAC's and multidisciplinary partners, in accordance with best practices and NCA Standards for Accreditation which result in better serving Illinois children and their families.

Purpose:

CACI seeks input from member CACs and MDT members to better create training opportunities for frontline professionals that meet their needs and interest, and diversify trainings to meet the needs of each MDT member.

Plan:

To provide high quality discipline specific training and serve as a resource to our CACs and MDTs.

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March

Champions for Children March 5-6

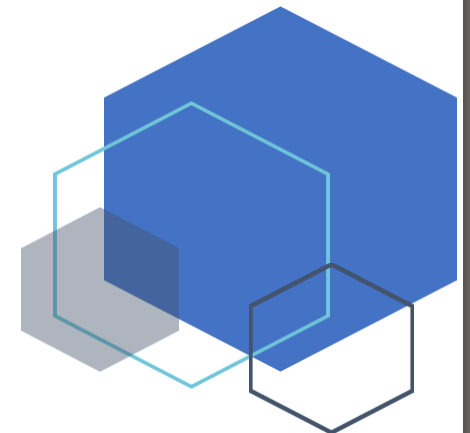
This conference is planned for multidisciplinary members and their specific disciplines. This ninth annual conference will provide 15 local and nationally renowned experts in the field of child abuse with four separate tracks. This training will be held at Hamburger University in Oak Brook, Illinois.



April

ChildFirst Illinois April 31-May 4

ChildFirst training enhances the education of front-line child abuse professionals. CAC affiliated MDT members will learn the ChildFirst protocol and how to properly conduct a non-leading fact finding forensic interview. This training will be held at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel in Springfield, Illinois.

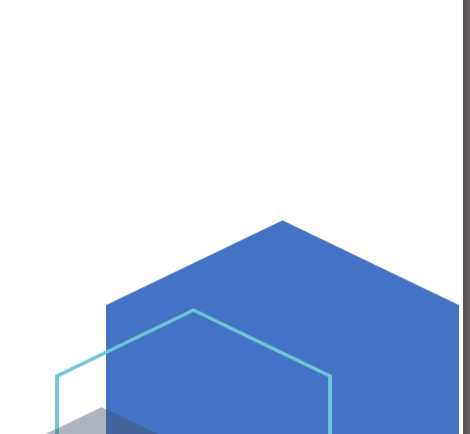


May

Advocate Round Table Meetings

These less structured meetings are designed for advocates to network, and share ideas on overcoming challenges they experience.

Southern Region, May 9, Madison County CAC
Central Region, May 15, Champaign County CAC
Northern/Cook Region, May 22, Will County CAC

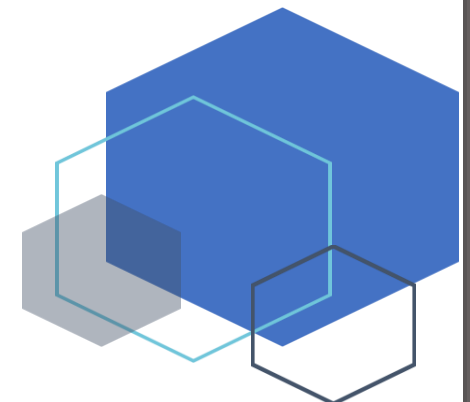


June

MDT Facilitator Round Table Meetings

These less structured meetings are designed for MDT facilitators to network, develop new facilitation tactics, and share ideas to assist their MDTs in identifying and addressing challenges/barriers that impact case outcomes.

Northern/Cook Region, June 4, Dekalb County CAC
Southern Region, June 7, Franklin/Williamson CAC
Central Region, June 26, Macon County CAC



TRAINING



June cont.

Effective Forensic Interviewing and Communication Skills with Children with Disabilities and Preschoolers
Starved Rock Conference Center June 20th
Thelma Keller Convention Ctr., June 21st

National Children's Advocacy Center's Trainer and Forensic Interviewer Specialist Kim Madden will present on forensic interviewing children with disabilities and preschool children. This training will be presented one day in Northern Illinois, and then the same materials the next consecutive day in Southern Illinois.

August

Identifying Common Needs, TBD

This training will be based upon common training needs identified by participants in the Champions of Children Conference Evaluation. Illinois CAC experts will be planned to present on common training topics. This training will be held at the CACI office.



September

Director's Conference September 12-14

An opportunity for CAC directors to receive support and training, as well as to share ideas. CACI strives to present relevant topics to bolster the organizational capacity of its member centers. This training is to be held at the Marriott Hotel and Conference Center in Normal, IL.

CACI is dedicated to the development and growth of Illinois Children's Advocacy Centers. CACI accomplishes this by offering its members a cadre of services which are rooted in the non-for-profit organization's driving principals:

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November

Annual Advocate Training November 15 & 16

This training is designed to provide advocates a constellation of instruction to meet the NCA Standards along with providing more experienced advocates ongoing education as required by the NCA Standards. This training will be held in Springfield, IL.

December

MDT Facilitators Training, Date TBD

This training's focus is to strengthen the skills of MDT Coordinators. This training is for new facilitators as well as those who have more experience in this position. Materials will cover strengthening facilitation skill, and strengthening MDTs. This training will be held in Springfield, Illinois.



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Additional Trainings Offered:

Customized Trainings

CACI is always available for assistance with customized trainings to fit member organizations' needs and challenges. CACI will respond appropriately as needed whenever a training need is identified throughout the year. CACI staff can work with teams to provide oversight, develop teams and protocols, strategic planning, assist with case reviews, mediate conflict, and help ensure that protocols are being followed and National Accreditation Standards on a MDT level are being fulfilled

Forensic Interview Peer Review

CACI coordinates peer reviews across the state. Forensic Interviewers are able to discuss provided pertinent research articles, gain feedback from colleagues, and discuss how to overcome common challenges.

Continuing Education Assistance

CACI offers assistance for acquiring continuing education for attorneys, social workers, and DCFS employees for conferences and trainings that are sponsored by Illinois CACs.

Forensic Interview Coaching

CACI offers one on one or small group coaching for forensic interviewers to enhance and address concerns in a supportive setting that can increase the confidence of the interview and improve skills.

Qualtrics (OMS) Assistance

CACI offers continued technical and education support to centers participating in Qualtrics. Trainings are available to optimize Qualtrics data to provide best possible services to children and their families.

Medical Evaluation

CACI partners with DCFS and the regional medical networks to coordinate Medical Aspects of Maltreatment trainings statewide.

