



CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER
TRAUMA TREATMENT PROGRAM

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The Trauma Treatment Program serves child victims and their families to include victims of sexual and physical abuse, exposure to domestic and community violence and other traumas. Pasco Kids First Trauma Treatment Program is the only Department of Health designated Sexual Abuse Treatment Program in Pasco County. Our therapists are licensed or licensed eligible clinicians who have extensive training and expertise in evidence-based and effective therapies to help children and their families overcome the effects of the traumatic events that may be impacting their lives.

Our services are at no cost to the child victim or family.

Criteria for Admission: To qualify for Trauma Treatment Program services, the child victim must reside in Pasco County. However, if the victimization/abuse is sexual or physical abuse, Hernando residents may be served at our Pasco County offices. The abuse must have been reported to the Child Abuse Hotline and/or Law Enforcement. The child is exhibiting symptoms that interfere with day-to-day functioning.

Referral Process: To refer a child or adult for trauma therapy, complete the Trauma Treatment Program Referral Form attached and found on our website at pascokidsfirst.org as well as submit supporting documentation. Our Child Victim Advocate will contact the referral source to determine eligibility and provide support and advocacy. Please email referral form to rlemus@pascokidsfirst.org or fax to 727-848-1292.

Services Provided by the Trauma Treatment Program:

- **Individual Child Trauma Therapy** for child victims of sexual abuse, physical abuse, and other types of traumatic events such as exposure to domestic violence, community violence, suicides/homicides or other traumatic events. Family education, support, and safety planning are included. Ages 3-18
- **Sexually Reactive Children's Therapy** for children involved in child-on-child inappropriate sexualized behaviors as long as the child identified as the initiator has a history of sexual abuse and is under the age of 12.
- **Non-Offending Caregiver Therapy** available for caregivers of child victims of sexual and/or physical abuse: The Non-Offending Caregiver program is a psychoeducational program for parents/caregivers not responsible for the sexual or physical abuse. This service is designed to provide education about the dynamics of child sexual and physical abuse, the effect on children, the offenders of such abuse, and how to plan for safety in the future.
- **Family Therapy** provided for enrolled client's receiving trauma therapy based upon the discretion of the child's therapist.
- **Sexual Abuse Assessments** is an assessment that includes clinical interviews and standardized measures designed to develop and in depth understanding of the concern for the child sexual abuse, ensure safety, and provide recommendations if necessary.
- **Trauma Assessment** is an assessment that includes clinical interviews and standardized measures designed to develop and in depth understanding of the traumatic events and the effects of those events.
- **Adult Trauma Therapy** for parents with trauma history who are involved with the Child Welfare System due to child abuse or neglect concerns.
- **Professional and Community Training** relevant to our services