



Child Advocacy Center of Sedgwick County

~ To lead our community in eliminating the suffering of abused children. ~

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COMCARE of Sedgwick County
Exploited and Missing Child Unit
KS Dept. for Children and Families
Wichita Regional Office
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County
Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office
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Wesley Medical Center
Wichita Area Sexual Assault Center
Wichita Police Department

For Your Calendar

Nov. 18, 2016: 5th Annual
CACSC Heroes Gala:
Scottish Rite Center

Nov. 29, 2016: Wichita Area
Sexual Assault Center Lunch
and Learn: Sexual and
Domestic Violence:
Connections. For more info
call 316-263-0185.

May 22, 2017: "Changing A
Child's Life" Golf
Tournament: Willowbend
Country Club

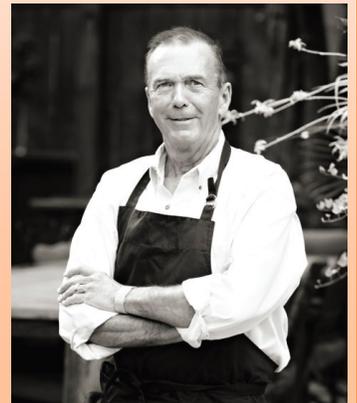
How can you support the CACSC?

Do you use a **Dillons Plus Shopper's Card**? You can now link your Dillons card to the Child Advocacy Center! Simply by shopping and scanning your card, the CACSC will receive part of the proceeds. You will need the following things to register: a Dillons Plus Shopper's Card, a valid email address and an account on the Dillons website where you have registered your Dillon's Plus Shopper's card. Once you have all of that, go to www.dillons.com/communityrewards, sign in with your account information, click 'enroll now', enter #72753 as the NPO number, select the Child Advocacy Center of Sedgwick County and click 'enroll'. You are ready to start doing your normal, everyday shopping at Dillons and supporting the CACSC all at the same time! Happy Shopping!

Chef H is coming to the Heroes Gala!

Harry Pape, known as Chef H, recently released his cookbook, Simple Cooking, that contains recipes from all over the world. He has gathered them from Puerto Rico, where he visited the home of his college roommate, to as far as Germany, where he was stationed in the US Army. Twenty-five years ago, he and Wichita television news anchor Susan Peters participated in a "Celebrity Chef" dinner for a local charity. From that springboard, Harry began his culinary journey. He has taught cooking classes and shared recipes on a series of televised cooking shows over several years. In his cookbook, he shares some of his favorite yet simple dishes.

At this year's Heroes Gala, Chef H will be selling his cookbook for \$25. For every book sold, \$5 will be donated to the CACSC. Purchasing a book also enters you in a raffle for an opportunity to join Chef H at his home for a dinner specially prepared for you and up to 5 other guests. A dinner opportunity will be raffled for every 50 books sold the night of the Gala.



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Get to Know the CAC Board of Directors

Tripp Owings is the CEO of Wesley Woodlawn Hospital and ER. He has worked as the COO of Wesley Children's Hospital and also in various positions in hospital administration throughout his career. He received a BBA in Finance from the University of Georgia and an MBA from Mississippi State University. Growing up in a large metro area, Tripp saw the need for centers like the CACSC and finds being a part of the team here in Wichita very rewarding. He feels strongly about the community being able to meet the long-term emotional and physical needs of the victims in addition to bringing the perpetrators to justice. Tripp has been married to his wife Tijen for 13 years and they have two children with a third due in December. Outside of the CAC, Tripp volunteers for the Wesley Children's Foundation and at the YMCA.

What is child abuse and neglect?

The first step in helping abused or neglected children is learning to recognize the signs of child abuse and neglect. The presence of a single sign does not mean that child maltreatment is occurring in the family, but a closer look at the situation may be warranted when these signs appear repeatedly or in combination with each other. Federal legislation lays the groundwork for State laws on child maltreatment by identifying a minimum set of acts or behaviors that define child abuse and neglect. The Federal Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA), as amended and reauthorized by the CAPTA Reauthorization Act of 2010, defines child abuse and neglect as, at minimum: *"Any recent act or failure to act on the part of a parent or caretaker which results in death, serious physical or emotional harm, sexual abuse or exploitation; or an act or failure to act which presents an imminent risk of serious harm."* Within the minimum standards set by CAPTA, each State is responsible for providing its own definitions of child abuse and neglect. Most states recognize the four major types of maltreatment: physical abuse, neglect, sexual abuse, and emotional abuse.

What signs may signal the presence of child abuse or neglect?

The child: shows sudden changes in behavior or school performance; has not received any help for physical or medical problems brought to the parent's attention; has learning problems that cannot be attributed to specific physical or psychological causes; is always watchful, as though preparing for something bad to happen; lacks adult supervision; is overly compliant, passive, or withdrawn; comes to school or other activities early, stays late and doesn't want to go home; is reluctant to be around a particular person; discloses maltreatment. Some people (typically certain types of professionals, such as teachers or physicians) are required by State law to make a report of child maltreatment under specific circumstances—these are called mandated reporters. Child abuse and neglect can have lifelong implications for victims, including on their well-being. While the physical wounds heal, there are several long-term consequences of experiencing the trauma of abuse or neglect. The ability of a child or youth to cope and even thrive after trauma is called "resilience," and with help, many of these children can work through and overcome their past experiences. We are seeking a brighter future for our children and their caregivers.

Resources: **Child Welfare Information Gateway** "What is Child Abuse and Neglect? Recognizing the Signs and Symptoms"
<https://www.childwelfare.gov/pubs/factsheets/ques.cfm>

If you suspect child abuse or neglect, call 911 or 1.800.922.5330.

"The purpose of child advocacy centers is to provide a comprehensive, culturally competent, multidisciplinary team response to reports of child abuse, in a dedicated, child-focused setting."

The CACSC is accredited by the National Children's Alliance:
Empowering Local Communities to Serve Child Victims of Abuse