

# EAC

## Services for Children & Families

### Alternatives For Youth (AFY): (631) 648-2700

AFY is a home-based, crisis intervention program that intervenes with families seeking PINS petitions as a way of regaining control of their lives.

### SAFE START: (631) 648-7100 x 210

The goal of SAFE START is to improve child passenger safety and promote safer driving practices through education and outreach.

### Supervised Visitation Program: (631) 737-1454

EAC provides safe, supervised, court ordered visits between children and non-custodial parents with hour long visits arranged weekly at EAC facilities.

### Long Island Parenting Institute: (631) 737-1454

At the Long Island Parenting Institute parents learn and practice effective skills to raise their children from infancy through adolescence. Our programs are open to the public as well as to parents who have been mandated.

### Family Connections: (631) 737-1454

EAC helps reconnect families when children have been placed in the care of the DSS due to parental problems. Family Connections helps both the children placed in foster care and the parents to improve parenting skills so that the children can be returned home.

**For more information on these programs and many more, please visit our website at:**  
[www.eacinc.org](http://www.eacinc.org)

Suffolk County Child Advocacy Center



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## Educational Series School Personnel



## What is the EAC Suffolk County Child Advocacy Center?

The Child Advocacy Center, operated by EAC, is a facility for child victims of physical and sexual abuse. The Mission of the Child Advocacy Center is to provide a neutral, child friendly environment where a



coordinated response to child abuse allegations may be pursued in ways that support and protect

children, non-offending parents and other family members.

Using a multidisciplinary teach approach, the Child Advocacy Center:

- Provides a safe, child-friendly setting for interviewing and examining child victims.
- Improves investigations and prosecutions of child physical and sexual abuse cases.
- Enhances interagency communication and cooperation.
- Provides the family with services and assists them throughout the investigative and legal processes.
- Provides assistance in completing the Crime Victims Board compensation application
- Provides education to professionals and the community at large.

## School Based Education

### Child Abuse Overview

This workshop is for all professionals. It is designed to give participants an overview of child sexual abuse including statistics, who children's perpetrators are, how to help keep children safe and the services available to child victims and their non-offending caregivers in Suffolk County.

### Mandated Reporter Training

This training is designed to train mandated reporters on their legal responsibilities concerning identifying and reporting suspected incidences of child abuse and neglect. This training is authorized by the New York State Education Department.

### Care For Kids Program

The Care For Kids Program was written by the Leeds, Greenville, & Lanark District Health Unit in Ontario, Canada. The program introduces an innovative child sexual abuse prevention curriculum written especially for ages 3-7. The program provides specific ways to foster open, non-threatening, developmentally appropriate communication about the broad range of issues connected to child abuse prevention.

### Online Safety

The internet is an invaluable tool, but there are serious dangers that need to be discussed. This workshop is available to both children and their parents. For children, the workshop focuses on empowering children to make wise choices online. For parents the workshop will help inform them about online dangers and how to have productive conversations with their children.

## How to Report Child Abuse and Neglect

- As soon as you suspect child abuse or neglect, immediately call the State Central Register (SCR) Mandated Reporter Hotline at 1-800-635-1522
- The SCR is open 24 hours-a-day, 7 days-a-week
- **If a child is in imminent danger call 911 and then call the SCR**
- Provide as much information as possible to the protective specialist at the SCR. If available give information to help indentify and locate the child or parents in question.

## Numbers to Call

- Child Abuse Hotline:  
1-800-635-1522
- Suffolk County Child Advocacy Center  
(631) 439-0480
- Suffolk County Police Department Special Victims Unit  
(631) 852-6272
- National Center for Missing and Exploited Children  
1-800-THE-LOST

## REMEMBER

**"A child is a precious gift. If you see it, they feel it. Please report it."**