

BENEFITS OF A CAC IN OUR COMMUNITY

Reduced trauma to
Child Victims

Medical and mental health
referrals are completed
more efficiently, and
treatments are
trauma-focused

Child abuse reports are
investigated more
promptly and thoroughly
through the
multidisciplinary team

Child victims and their
non-offending caregivers
participate in healing
together

More offenders are held
accountable because
prosecutions are more
successful

Duplication of effort is
eliminated

The number of costly and
repetitious child victim
interviews is greatly
reduced

Prevention & Education of
the community,
stakeholders, and
professionals is increased
and evidence-based



Guardians for New Futures, Inc. (GFNF) is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that supports the unfunded needs of maltreated and underserved youth, while increasing community awareness and education to further protect children.

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Report Abuse
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To be the leading
innovators in the fight to
end child abuse.





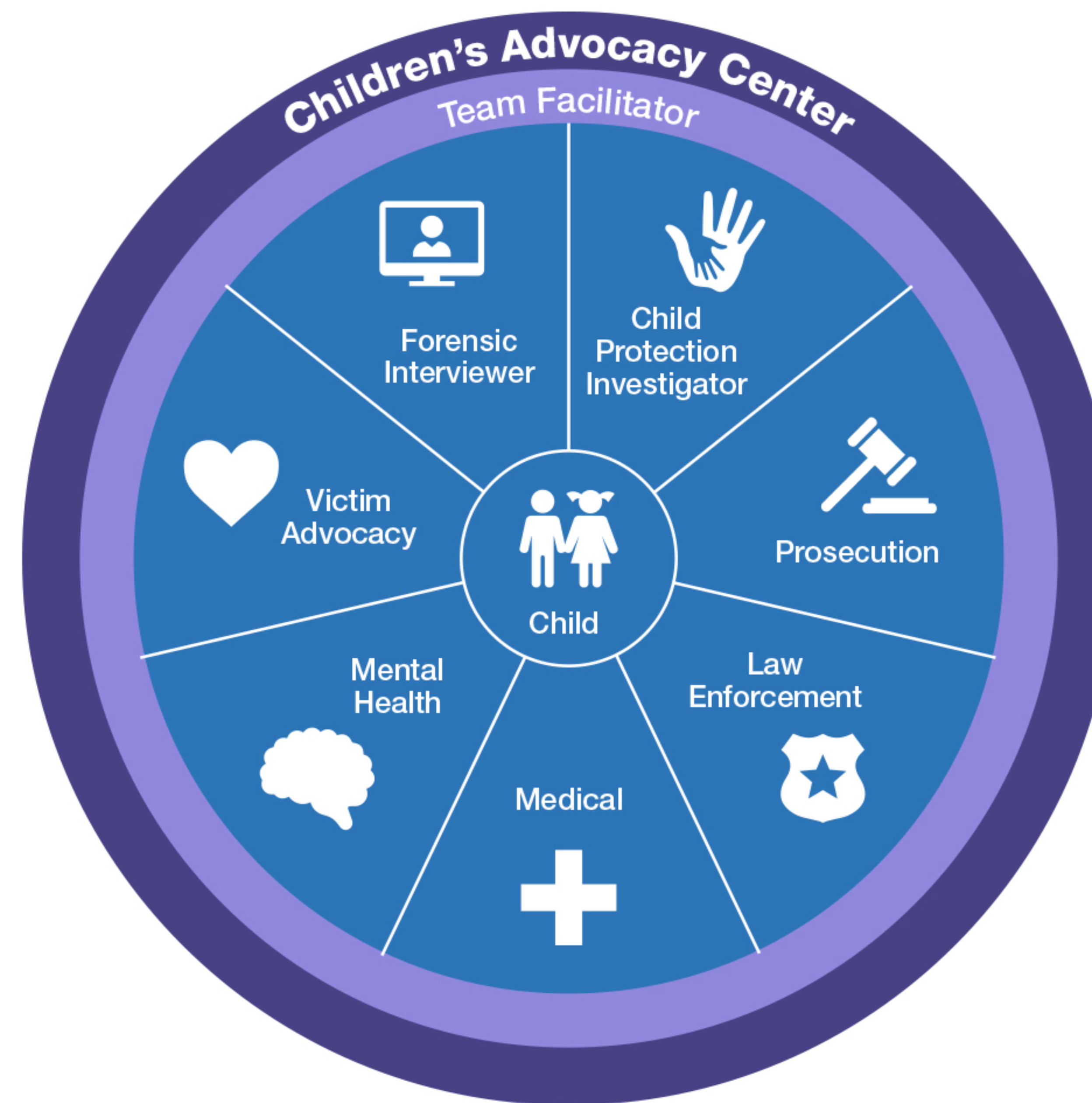
WHAT IS A CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER?

The Children's Advocacy Center is a safe place for kids who may have been abused. The center brings together a team of specially trained professionals who evaluate and investigate cases of child abuse and help children and their families. The center has been designed to help children and families feel comfortable, safe and minimize trauma. The Children's Advocacy Center provides children and their families with a proven, evidence-based holistic model. If necessary, therapy advocacy and other critical services in a non-threatening and friendly environment is provided for children and families.

DID YOU KNOW?

- 1 in 4 girls are sexually abused before turning 18
- 1 in 6 boys are sexually abused before turning 18
- 95% of child sex abuse victims know their abuser
- 95% of abuse is preventable through education

MEMBERS OF THE CAC TEAM



Florida Department of Children & Families

State Attorneys Office

Law Enforcement

Children's Home Society

Hibiscus Children's Center

Sexual Assault Assistance Program



Hibiscus Children's Center
Saving Children Since 1985



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SERVICES WE OFFER

- ✓ We provide a safe, supportive environment for children who may have been physically or sexually abused or have witnessed a violent act.
- ✓ A multidisciplinary team approach to child abuse investigations with compassion and coordination.
- ✓ Medical evaluation and treatment by medical professionals.
- ✓ Sensitive forensic interviews conducted by a specially trained interviewer.
- ✓ Mental health services to meet specific needs of the children and caregivers.
- ✓ Advocacy case management services.
- ✓ Prevention by raising community awareness and knowledge of abuse.



Gus

Gus is our friend who helps children feel safe at our center.

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