

Forensic and Medical Services

Utilizing specialized pediatric and mental health professionals, medical and forensic evaluations are offered upon referral from law enforcement, Child Protective Services (CPS), physicians, or families in cases of suspected abuse, neglect, or exposure to violence. Services include:

- Forensic interview and evaluation
- Medical evaluation
- Pediatric gynecologic service
- Screening and psychological assessment
- Failure to Thrive assessment and intervention
- Health care for dependent children.

Professional Education Services

State of the art technology and instructional design, coupled with 25 years of adult education experience are used to provide core and advanced training to professionals and para-professionals throughout the United States and abroad. Educational opportunities include:

- The Annual San Diego International Conference on Child and Family Maltreatment
- The Clinical Training Program including Medical Evaluation, Forensic Interviewing, Child Advocacy Centers, and Trauma Therapy.
- Weekly multidisciplinary Child Protection Team (CPT) case conference
- Options Foster Parent Training
- First Responders Training
- Customized Training

Contact Information

Forensic and Medical Services

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Kids & Teens In Court

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Professional Education Services

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Chadwick Center for Children & Families



*Protecting Children....
Building Strong
Families*

Our Vision

To create a world where children and families are healthy and free from abuse and neglect.

Our Center

The Chadwick Center, one of the largest centers of its kind, is staffed with professionals and para-professionals in the fields of medicine, social work, psychology, psychiatry, child development, nursing, and education technology. The staff is committed to family-centered care and a multidisciplinary approach to child abuse and family violence.

Services are provided in satellite locations countywide, including offices in San Diego (Kearny Mesa), Escondido, Oceanside, and Chula Vista. The Center develops and maintains strong relationships with law enforcement agencies, health and human services, hospitals, prosecuting attorney's offices, state agencies, and national and international professional organizations.

Our Services

The Chadwick Center provides a continuum of services, with an integrated approach to healing, intervention, and family support. Outcome evaluation is an integral component of all services. These services are highlighted through the rest of this brochure and more detailed descriptions of them can be found in the Programs section of our website: www.ChadwickCenter.org.

Trauma Counseling Services

Trauma affects the entire family. The Trauma Counseling Program has developed a trauma-focused approach to help families cope with child sexual, physical, and emotional abuse and neglect as well as family and community violence. The program provides:

- Assessment of trauma
- Crisis intervention
- Individual, group, and family therapy
- Psychological assessments
- Family advocacy and safety planning.

Specific treatment interventions include:

- Assessment-Based Treatment: A Trauma Assessment Pathway Model (TAP)
- Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy (TF-CBT)
- Parent-Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT)
- Child Parent Psychotherapy (CPP)
- Parent-Child Attunement Therapy (PCAT).



Kids & Teens In Court Program

In cooperation with local San Diego courthouses and the Juvenile Dependency Court, Kids and Teens In Court familiarizes children and adolescents and their caregivers with court proceedings as well as uses Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy (TF-CBT) components to increase coping and relaxation skills within the courtroom setting. The program teaches participants through these activities:

- Exposure to the courtroom.
- Children/Teens learn to identify thoughts, feelings, and behaviors related to their perceptions of testifying.
- Thought-stopping and relaxation techniques, including breathing exercises.
- Educational groups on the benefits of counseling and the overall program for the caretakers not suspected of abuse.
- Meeting and becoming comfortable with court personnel.



The Chadwick Center is a proud member of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network (www.nctsn.org). This network of 60 centers across the country helps children and families overcome trauma.