

The Child Abuse Prevention Association

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Mission: The Child Abuse Prevention Association (CAPA) exists to break the destructive cycle of child abuse and neglect by equipping parents, children and their caregivers with necessary skills, knowledge and values.

Geographic area covered: Beaufort & Hampton Counties

Services Provided:

Community Outreach

- Elementary and Middle School Child Abuse Awareness and Peer Abuse/Violence Prevention
- Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention Programs
- Making A Difference! An Abstinence-Based Approach to Prevention of STDs, HIV and Teen Pregnancy
- Making Proud Choices! A Safer-Sex Approach to HIV/STDs and Teen Pregnancy Prevention
- Safer Choices is a school-based, twenty-session HIV, STD, and pregnancy prevention program first developed by the Centers for Disease Control. This is a science-based, proven effective program.
- Faith-Based Sexuality Programs are available to your faith-based organization upon request. Materials include lecture, videos, games, and group processing. Ask about the Keeping the Faith/Keeping It Real program.
- Domestic Abuse Prevention Program
- Professional Development

Exchange Parent Aide

- The Exchange Parent Aide Program is a free and voluntary home based parent education program. CAPA's trained Family Aide will work with parents weekly for up to 13 months to achieve goals related to child safety, finances, problem solving skills, parenting skills, and social support.

Open Arms Children's Home

- CAPA operates a home in Beaufort County that is open 24 hours per day, 365 days per year for youth birth to 21 years who've been removed from an abusive or neglectful situation. Residents come from Beaufort as well as Jasper, Hampton, Allendale, and Colleton counties. Due to a severe lack of suitable foster beds, Open Arms now serves children from across the state.

Parenting Classes

- Triple P (Positive Parenting Program)
 - \$40 for an 8-class session
 - The class is structured into eight sessions covering a wide range of topics. Participants receive workbooks with information, activities and

role-playing opportunities. The sessions are taught continuously and participants may join in at any time.

- P.S. We Love You (parent support group)
 - This group is FREE to join and is open to any parent. We will laugh, learn, share and love – our children, grandchildren and each other. The group invites speakers to deal with topics of particular interest to the group including health, budgeting and baking, adult education opportunities, and child rearing.

Resource Family Program (foster care)

- With a shortage of loving, supportive foster homes in our area, and throughout the state, the Child Abuse Prevention Association (CAPA) is seeking to bridge that service gap. CAPA is now a licensed Child Placing Agency to recruit, train and support resource (foster) families thanks to funding from United Way of the Lowcountry and a recently awarded Victims of Crime Grant (VOCA).

Safe Sleeping for Baby

- CAPA offers Safe Sleep Education to community groups at no cost.