

Child Physical Abuse and Neglect Investigations: The Basics (In-person)

Who should attend: DSS staff and attorneys, law enforcement officers, prosecutors, guardians ad litem, Children's Advocacy Center professionals, child abuse medical professionals

Overview: This training focuses on the basics of child physical abuse and neglect investigations with an emphasis on multidisciplinary coordination. The training will begin with a focus on understanding the prevalence of child abuse and neglect, recognizing red flags and risk factors, distinguishing between inflicted and accidental injuries, the emergency protective custody process, and interviewing. In the interviewing segment of the training, we will begin with a review of general techniques of interviewing and then broaden the discussion to include all individuals that need to be interviewed and the questions that should be asked in a comprehensive investigation. The training will also cover proper documentation and evidence collection and a discussion of applicable definitions of abuse and neglect and criminal laws. *This is the same content that is offered as a 2-part, virtual training. It is being offered both virtually and in-person to suit the individual learning needs of attendees.

This training will be held at the Children's Law Center's Training Center, 1114 Pickens Street, Columbia, SC 29208.

Dates:

February 20, 2024 April 9, 2024

Course Times: 8:45 am - 4:30 pm

Fee: There is no charge for this training.

Continuing Education Credits: This training is approved for a total of 6.5 general contact hours and by the SC Criminal Justice Academy. An application for continuing education credits has been submitted to the SC Commission on CLE. We anticipate this training will be approved for a total of 6.25 hours of MCLE credit.

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To register: Go to the Children's Law Center registration system: https://sc.edu/clc/public/index.php. (DSS staff must only register on the SCEIS system.)