



Medical Aspects in Child Abuse Investigations (Virtual Trainings)

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

Overview: The Children's Law Center is offering focused presentations on various medical aspects of child abuse investigations. These presentations will be conducted by South Carolina Child Abuse and Neglect Network (SC-CANN) qualified child abuse pediatrics medical providers. Each presentation will cover the unique medical aspects of a different form of maltreatment, including physical abuse, sexual abuse, medical neglect, failure to thrive, medical child abuse and abusive head trauma. Medical experts will cover how to recognize the specific maltreatment, what should be documented, red flags, risk factors, and information that is needed to make a medical conclusion or diagnosis related to the form of maltreatment.

These trainings will be offered on a virtual platform. Links will be sent near the date of the training.

Dates and Times:

Recognizing Medical Neglect and Failure to Thrive	February 5, 2026	3:00 - 4:15 pm
Recognizing Medical Child Abuse	February 25, 2026	9:00 - 10:15 am
Understanding Medical Aspects of Abusive Head Trauma	March 12, 2026	9:30 - 10:45 am
Medical Aspects of Physical Abuse	March 19, 2026	9:30 - 10:45 am
Medical Aspects of Sexual Abuse	April 13, 2026	10:00 - 11:15 am

Fee: There is no charge for this training.

Continuing Education Credits: Certificates of attendance will be provided by the Children's Law Center, documenting the contact hours earned for the specific training. Applications to the S.C. Criminal Justice Academy have been submitted for approval.

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To register: Go to the Children's Law Center registration system at <https://sc.edu/clc/public/index.php>.