

# 2022 TRAINING CALENDAR

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*All CACI training/event registrations are located in Coalition Manager. This platform is where you will update your contact details for our directory, register for trainings, track training attendance and certificates, and access CACI member resources.*

*Please contact your CAC for information on how to register.*

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## MARCH 1-2, 2022

### Champions of Children Conference - Hybrid - \$250

This 13th annual conference will feature 14 local, state, and national speakers. Topics chosen are timely to MDTs and challenges surrounding physical and sexual abuse cases seen at Children's Advocacy Centers.

## MARCH 16-17, 2022

### Illinois Prosecutor Institute - Virtual - Free

This two-day training institutes for child abuse prosecutors and members of MDT teams on opening statements, closing arguments, preparing children for court, cross-examination of defendants and defense witnesses, as well as other select topics.

## MARCH 2022 - date TBA

### VOCA Training - Virtual - Free

This training will cover several VOCA topics. These topics will include, but not limited to: PFRs, budget modifications, VOCA Quarterly Reports, etc. We will also use a good portion of the time answering all VOCA related questions from participants.

## APRIL 2022 - date TBA

### FY23 VOCA Grant Application Training - Virtual - Free

This training will cover the FY23 grant application process. Including but not limited to due dates, the NOFO, review of allowable costs and non-allowable costs, budget templates, and application process in AmpliFund.

## APRIL 18-22, 2022

### ChildFirst Illinois - Virtual - \$50

ChildFirst training enhances the education of front-line child abuse professionals. Participants will learn this protocol and how to properly conduct a forensic interview.

## APRIL 26, 2022

### Advocate Round Tables Quarterly - Virtual 10am-11:30am - Free

These less structured meetings are designed for advocates to network, and share ideas on overcoming challenges.

## MAY 2022 - date TBA

### Amplifund Training - Virtual - Free

This training will cover all required functions expected to be completed in AmpliFund. The training will be led by a rep from AmpliFund via Zoom. This training will be geared for all employees at CACs that deal with AmpliFund to participate.

## MAY 2022 - date TBA

### Interviewing Beyond Sexual Abuse - Virtual - Free

This training is for previously trained forensic interviewers to learn how to specifically explore issues beyond sexual abuse. This training will focus on the importance of interviewing children about a multitude of issues including physical abuse, witness to violent crime, and psychological abuse.

## MAY 10-12, 2022

### Stopping Technology: *Facilitated Abuse of Rural Kids Prosecutor Symposium - Springfield - \$60*

Topics will include: Internet 101, Digital Forensics 101, Child Exploitation Investigations 101, Admissibility of Social Media and Digital Evidence. This symposium will include a brief experiential component in which select attendees will attempt to admit digital evidence in the face of defense objections.

Fee includes lunch each day. Participants are responsible for their own hotel stay.

## MAY 16, 2022

### Prepare and Predict Presenting Evidence - Virtual - Free - 1pm-4:30pm

The prepare and predict presenting evidence method allows the forensic interviewer prepare victims for the evidence that will be presented to them in the forensic interview process, while providing them an opportunity to predict what they are about to see and discuss with the forensic interviewer.

## MAY 18-20, 2022

### Child and Family Traumatic Stress (CF-TS) - Virtual - \$145 -

This evidenced-based psychotherapy approach is focused on reducing the traumatic stress symptoms and interrupting PTSD in the aftermath of traumatic experiences. Participants will be required to have 8 mo. of follow up consultation after the training.

## MAY 18, 2022

### MDT Coordinator Round Table - Virtual - Free - 10am - 11:30am

These less structured meetings are designed for MDT facilitators to network, develop new facilitation tactics, & share ideas to assist their MDTs in identifying and addressing challenges that impact case outcomes.

## JUNE 22 - 23, 2022

### Advocacy Essentials - Virtual - Free

This training will assist advocates in meeting the essential components as required by the NCA Standard of Victim Advocacy. Through hands-on practice, victim advocates will learn to create interventions to meet victims' needs.

## JUNE 28-29, 2022

Practitioners

## JUNE 28-30 2022

Supervisors

### Advanced TF-CBT Training - Virtual - Free

Advanced issues surrounding implementation of TF-CBT will be taught including: Complex Trauma, Child Trauma Grief,

Traumatic Separation, Ambiguous Loss, Engagement Research, Sexually Abused Youth, Socratic Questioning, and Trauma Resilience. Supervisors will be taught on June 30th about Fidelity Monitoring, Overcoming Supervisory Challenges, and Reflective Supervision.

## JULY 2022 - Self Paced

### Evidenced Based Assessments Cohort - Virtual - Free

The focus of this program is to train mental health clinicians in the use of standardized assessments to inform the delivery of mental health services to abused and/or traumatized children. Clinicians who participate in this program will be eligible for assessments to use in their practice. Consultation calls will be required for 60 min for the following 10 weeks to successfully complete this program.

## JULY 19, 2022

### Advocate Round Tables Quarterly - Virtual 10am-11:30am - Free

These less structured meetings are designed for advocates to network, and share ideas on overcoming challenges.

## JULY 21-22, 2022

### NCA Accreditation Training - Virtual - Free

This training is geared towards CAC Directors and those responsible for NCA accreditation. The new 2023 Accreditation Standards will be the primary focus of this training, and participants will gain knowledge to prepare for these new standards in practice, written policy, and practical application.

## AUGUST 3-4, 2022

### How to Best Support Kids at Trial - Springfield - \$40

This training is for forensic interviewers, attorneys, and therapists to learn how to support the child victim through the court process. Forensic Interviewers will gain a deeper understanding of their vital role in the court processes. Attorneys will enhance their knowledge in motions to file in CAC child victim cases, and how to use all members of the team for court. Also, the therapist role in court will be examined, and how to use this vital witness.

Fee includes lunch each day. Participants are responsible for their own hotel stay.

## AUGUST 17, 2022

### MDT Coordinator Round Table - Virtual - Free - 10am - 11:30am

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## SEPTEMBER 19-20, 2022

### Crime Scene To Trial - Springfield - \$60

Teams of four or more will learn detailed instruction of a crime scene, and how unimportant details can become critical at trial. This training includes interrogation, photography of a crime scene, witness interviews, and a crime scene investigation in a mock house.

Fee includes lunch each day. Participants are responsible for their own hotel stay.

## OCTOBER, 2022 - date TBA

### Direct vs. Indirect Cost Rate Training - Virtual - Free

This training will include, but not limited to: overview of what are indirect costs, how to calculate indirect costs, de minimis (10%) rate, and Modified Total Direct Costs (MTDC).

## OCTOBER 3-7, 2022

### ChildFirst Fall- Springfield - \$250

ChildFirst training enhances the education of front-line child abuse professionals. CAC affiliated MDT members will learn the ChildFirst protocol and how to properly conduct a non-leading fact finding forensic interview.

Fee includes breakfast each day. Participants are responsible for their own hotel stay.

## OCTOBER 25-27, 2022

### Director's Conference - Champaign - \$40

An opportunity for CAC directors to receive support and training, as well to share ideas. CACI strives to present relevant topics to bolster the organizational capacity of its member centers.

Fee includes lunch each day. Participants are responsible for their own hotel stay.

## NOVEMBER 2-3, 2022

### Advocate Training - Bloomington - \$40

This training will focus on diving deeper into advanced advocate issues. Advocates will have an opportunity to learn from national speakers on topics affecting all advocates and the services they provide.

Fee includes breakfast each day. Participants are responsible for their own hotel stay.

## NOVEMBER 16 -17, 2022

### MDT Coordinators Training - Springfield - \$40

This training's focus is to strengthen the skills of the MDT Coordinators, and is for new facilitators as well as those who have more experience. Materials will cover strengthening facilitation skills & strengthening MDTs.

Fee includes breakfast each day. Participants are responsible for their own hotel stay.

## NOVEMBER 22, 2022

### Advocate Round Tables Quarterly - Virtual 10am-11:30am - Free

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### CHECK OUT THIS UPCOMING 4-PART VIRTUAL LEADERSHIP SERIES

*More info and dates to come!*

#### Leading Through Change

This training will explore the 4 R's of Innovative Teams, the 4 D's of Innovation, & the IdeaScape. You will gain knowledge about the 4 key behaviors of change-oriented innovated teams, a process model for adding new ideas & how to leverage ideas through change.

### Addressing Secondary Traumatic Stress & Improving Workforce Wellbeing Through Reflective Supervision

This presentation introduces the key skills of reflective supervision to address secondary traumatic stress and improve workforce well being. This presentation will include practical skills, strategies, and resources developed to support organizations and individuals in using reflective supervision.

### Mastering Crucial Conversations

What are the 3 components in having a crucial conversation? Participants will learn about high stakes, differing views, and strong emotions. These conversations will not always involve big issues, but they will affect the quality of our lives both personally and professionally.

### Trauma-Informed Leadership: The Balance of Compassion and Accountability

This presentation will provide attendees with an overview of the principles of a trauma-informed approach to leading teams and organizations, drawing from literature on effective leadership, implementation science, and trauma-informed care principles.

### ADDITIONAL TRAININGS OFFERED UPON REQUEST:

#### Continuing Education Assistance

CACI offers assistance for acquiring CEUs for attorneys, social workers, and DCFS employees for conferences and trainings that are sponsored by Illinois CACs. Contact [yashika@acionline.org](mailto:yashika@acionline.org) for more information.

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### **MDT Customized Trainings**

CACI is always available for assistance with customized trainings to fit its member organizations' needs and challenges. CACI will respond appropriately as needed whenever a training need is identified throughout the year. CACI staff can work with teams to provide oversight, develop teams and protocols, strategic planning, assist with case reviews, mediate conflict, and help ensure that protocols are being followed and National Accreditation Standards on a MDT level are being fulfilled. Contact [mike@cacionline.org](mailto:mike@cacionline.org) to schedule yours!

### **Building Resiliency in Illinois CACs and MDTs**

The purpose of this training is to strengthen the capacity of the Illinois Children's Advocacy Centers by educating CAC staff and multi-disciplinary members around the impacts of working in the child sexual abuse field and by promoting resilience building on a team level. This 4-hour training is customizable to any size MDT and is approved for continuing education credits. Contact [mike@cacionline.org](mailto:mike@cacionline.org) to schedule this free training for your team today!

### **Medical Evaluation**

CACI partners with DCFS and the regional medical networks to advertise and provide CEUs for the Medical Aspects of Maltreatment trainings statewide. Connect with [yashika@cacionline.org](mailto:yashika@cacionline.org) to find your nearest training.

### **Forensic Interview and Executive Director Mentorship**

CACI contracts with experienced forensic interviewers and former executive directors to provide a structured mentorship in a supportive setting that can increase the confidence and improve skills. Contact [kim@cacionline.org](mailto:kim@cacionline.org) to join this program.

### **Qualtrics (OMS) Assistance**

CACI offers continued technical and education support to centers participating in Qualtrics. Trainings are available to optimize Qualtrics data to provide best possible services to children and their families. Email [hanane@cacionline.org](mailto:hanane@cacionline.org) for your next training.

### **Family Advocate Coaching**

CACI offers one on one coaching for advocates to enhance their skill set in working with non-offending caregivers, data collection, assisting in community referrals, and using state/local resource programs. CACI can also connect advocates to shadow with other chosen advocates across the state for training purposes. Email [cara@cacionline.org](mailto:cara@cacionline.org) to be connected today!

### **Trauma Symptom Checklist for Children Short Form (TSCC-SF) and Trauma Symptom Checklist for Young Children Short Form (TSCYC-SF)**

Children's Advocacy Centers of Illinois offers its members TSCC-SF and TSCYC-SF forms to be used throughout the year for triaging and referral to therapy services. Training on using these brief, valid, standardized, psychometrically acceptable measurement tools can be scheduled by contacting [cara@cacionline.org](mailto:cara@cacionline.org).

## ONGOING SUPPORTIVE FORUMS

### **Mental Health Monthly Supervision Calls**

This clinical consultation is a form of professional development which helps therapists continue to grow, learn, and adapt to challenges emerging in their practices. It is a collaborative, voluntary model, facilitated by an experienced therapist, but it also provides a setting in which peers can share ideas, and offer support and feedback to one another. Sign up for these meetings in Coalition Manager!

### **Collaborate Bi-Monthly Forum Meetings**

Join these meetings for networking, discussion, and brainstorming. This opportunity is for Collaborate online data capturing system users to assist one another with overcoming challenges and share ideas. System updates and tools will be shared to assist in user navigation. Sign up for these meetings in Coalition Manager!

### **Peer Review**

Adhering with the NCA Accreditation Standards, forensic interviews from 9 regions across IL meet quarterly to improve forensic interviewers' performance by providing opportunities for feedback on interview techniques, discuss of relevant research articles, and informs of upcoming training opportunities. Contact [yashika@cacionline.org](mailto:yashika@cacionline.org) for more information!

**CACI was unable to include hotel cost into the NCA grant due to the Federal Travel Ban. If alternative funding can be found to cover the cost, we will update training information. We will make every effort to include a hybrid platform for in person training to accommodate any travel restrictions for participants.**