GOALS & OBJECTIVES FOR CHILD ADVOCACY SESSIONS

1. To increase awareness & understanding of child sexual abuse.

2. To understand the role multiple services (physician, mental health professional, law enforcement, District Attorney, Child Protective Services) play in cases of child sexual abuse.

3. To understand how multiple services can work together in child sexual abuse cases to minimize trauma to the child, improve investigations, successfully prosecute child sexual offenders & facilitate healing.

4. To learn how to obtain a complete & appropriate history from a child of various ages who may have been a victim of sexual abuse.

5. To learn how to perform a complete & appropriate physical exam on a child of various ages who may have been a victim of sexual abuse.

6. To learn the appropriate laboratory studies required in child sexual abuse victims.

7. To learn how non-offending parents can be empowered to protect their children.

8. To observe how child sexual abuse cases are handled in court.

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RESIDENT EXPERIENCE IN CHILD ADVOCACY

1. Residents will be assigned 1 session during each year of residency to spend at the Child Advocacy Center. This session will take place during their Continuity Clinic Module. They should report to 556 Franklin Street on their assigned day.

   Tuesday sessions: 3-7 Dr. Jack Coyne
   Thursday sessions: 12:30 – 4 Dr. William Canavan

2. Chief Residents to send Debbie Philips, nurse coordinator, the resident schedule. (email: sblack@kaleidahealth.org) They can also confirm with her the dates Drs. Coyne or Canavan will not have clinic. No more than 1 resident will be assigned per session.

3. Residents to complete any prior reading assignment as requested by Drs. Coyne or Canavan.

4. Residents to observe child sexual abuse history & physical exam as performed by Drs. Coyne or Canavan.

5. Residents to observe the multi-disciplinary interview pre- & post- meeting. (Includes physician, mental health professional, law enforcement, District Attorney, and Child Protective Services)

6. Residents to participate in case reviews that include the physician, law enforcement, District Attorney, and Child Protective Services (only occurs on Tuesdays)

7. Residents will have available to them the opportunity to go to court with Drs. Coyne or Canavan if they are subpoenaed regarding a child sexual abuse case. Since they are usually not notified of the court date until a few days prior, an email will be sent to all residents whenever the opportunity arises. If the residents are available to go, they can page Drs. Coyne or Canavan to make arrangements.

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