

NETCAC

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The Play it Safe!® program consists of several components that make it an innovative training program:

- It is comprised of age-appropriate scripts and corresponding movies for each grade level, Pre-K through 6th grade, and topic specific scripts and movies for secondary schools. There are a total of 14 unique presentations and movies.
- In addition to covering sexual and physical abuse, the upper grade level programs for middle and high school include relevant and timely topics: harassment and respect, sexting/cyberbullying, healthy relationships, imbalance of power and sexual abuse, dating violence, and non-stranger rape.



Play it Safe!® fulfills the requirements of Jenna's Law and is endorsed by Jenna Quinn.



Play it Safe!® also meets the legislative requirements of Erin's Law and is endorsed by Erin Merry.



Northeast Texas Child Advocacy Center

www.netcac.org

<https://www.cactx.org>

SENATE BILL 2039

<https://capitol.texas.gov/tlodocs/85R/billtext/pdf/SB02039F.pdf>

PREVENTION

https://tea.texas.gov/Safe_and_Healthy_Schools/Child_Abuse_Prevention

Child Abuse Hotline
1-800-252-5400

The Texas Family Code 261.101 requires professionals to make a report within 48 hours of first suspecting abuse, neglect or exploitation of children.

<https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/FA/htm/FA.261.htm>

Signs of Child Abuse

1. Unexplained injuries
2. Changes in behavior
3. Returning to earlier behaviors
4. Fear of certain places or people
5. Changes in eating
6. Changes in sleeping
7. Changes in school performance or attendance
8. Lack of personal care or hygiene
9. Risk-taking behaviors
10. Inappropriate sexual behaviors

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<https://www.d2l.org/education/stewards-of-children/online/>



Helpful Links

<https://www.nationalchildrensalliance.org/>

<https://www.cactx.org/>

<https://www.d2l.org/>



CHILD ABUSE IN TEXAS

- Today, 175 Texas children will be victims of abuse.
- 1 in 10 children will be sexually abused before their 18th birthday. With 7.4 million children residing in Texas, this would equal 740,000 child victims of abuse.
- The Adverse Childhood Experiences Study demonstrates... Children who have experienced trauma are more likely to engage in early initiation of smoking, sexual activity, illicit drug use, and suicide. Children with multiple traumas have significantly higher rates of heart disease, chronic pulmonary lung disease, hepatitis, depression, and diabetes.
- According to the National Institute of Justice, abused and neglected children are... 59% more likely to be arrested for juvenile crime.
- 28% more likely to be arrested as an adult.
- The National Center for Mental Health and Juvenile Justice estimates 93% of youth in detention reported exposure to previous "adverse" events, including physical and sexual abuse.

