

# Child Abuse Prevention Month

*Children's Center Awareness Campaign*

*April 2014*

# Our Mission

To support and medically assess children who are suspected victims of abuse or neglect.

# Types of Abuse Seen at Children's Center

Sexual Abuse

Physical Abuse

- Karly's Law

Emotional Abuse

- Exposure to Violence

Neglect

- Physical Neglect
  - Drug Endangered Children
- Medical Neglect
- Supervision Neglect
- Educational Neglect
- Emotional Neglect

# Children's Center Services

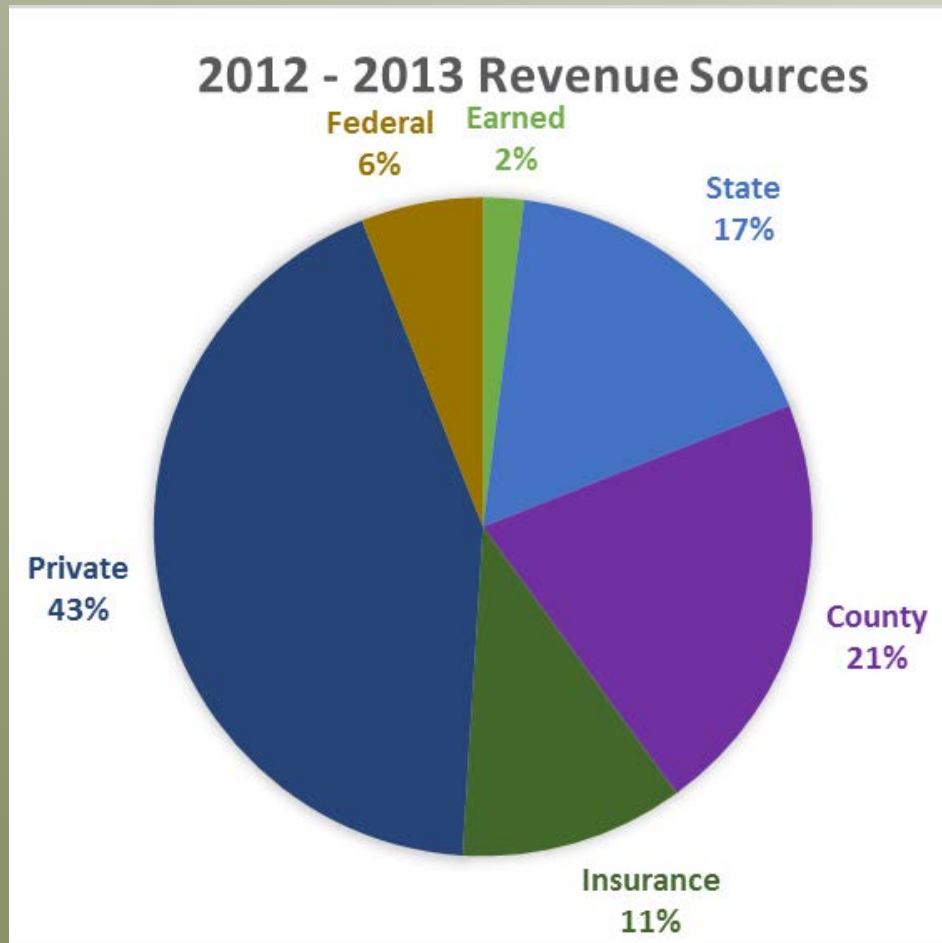
- Medical Exams
- Recorded Forensic Interviews
- Family Support
- RISK Outreach
- Record Reviews
- Non-Offending Caregiver Support Groups
- Community Outreach & Education

# Children's Center

## By the Numbers

- Children's Center provides upwards of 500 assessments per year
- An additional 1,700 parents and community members served through family support, outreach and education, and medical consultations.
- Most children referred for concerns of abuse are little girls under the age of 7 for sexual abuse.

# Revenue Sources



- **Families are never charged** for services though we will bill their insurance provider.
- State revenue (17%) comes from Child Abuse Multi-disciplinary Intervention funding.
- Private giving represents almost half of our budget.

# Mandatory Reporters

- All citizens have a responsibility to protect those who cannot protect themselves. For a list of Child Abuse Hotline numbers by county, visit [www.childrenscenter.cc](http://www.childrenscenter.cc).
- Oregon state law, however, mandates that workers in certain professions must make reports if they have reasonable cause to suspect abuse or neglect. These people are called mandatory reporters and they are a crucial link in the system to protect Oregon's most vulnerable citizens.
- For a full list of mandatory reporters in the state of Oregon, visit [www.childrenscenter.cc](http://www.childrenscenter.cc).



# Report Abuse

Clackamas County  
Child Abuse Hotline  
**971-673-7112**



# Barriers to Reporting Abuse

- What if I don't have all the information?
- What if the abuse happened a long time ago?
- What if I don't want the alleged offender to find out I called?
- Is it my job to prove the abuse occurred?

# Reality of Child Abuse

- Nearly 20 children are killed every year, in the state of Oregon alone, as a direct result of child abuse or neglect.
- 1 in 10 children will be sexually abused before their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- Experts estimate that only 10% of child abuse is reported.

# Strategic Goals 2013-2016

## **Goal #1**

To ensure the Children's Center has the capacity to meet the community need for our services.

## **Goal #2**

To be a leader in providing quality child abuse support & intervention services.

## **Goal #3**

To educate the community to recognize child abuse, and the Children's Center's role in intervention and prevention.

## **Goal #4**

To define, acquire and maintain an adequate level and diverse base of funding.

# Child Abuse Awareness Campaign

- Clackamas Town Center
- City Proclamations
- Speaker's Bureau at Area Service Clubs
- Child Sexual Abuse Trainings & Presentations
  - April 5<sup>th</sup> @ New Hope Community Church
  - April 12<sup>th</sup> @ Children's Center
  - May 15<sup>th</sup> @ Children's Center
- Champions for Children Luncheon, April 30<sup>th</sup>
- Visit [www.childrenscenter.cc](http://www.childrenscenter.cc) to see all upcoming events

# Questions?



# Thank you



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