



CAC Response to COVID 19

3/23/20-4/30/20

(revised 3/31/20)

We want to let our MDT partners know that we are here if you need us. However, due to the extension of the Shelter in Place directive from the Governor and the recommendations from the CDC we have put the following protocol in place. Please understand that this plan will be revised/updated based on the ever-changing needs of our community. To ensure you have the most recent version of this protocol please see the “developed” date above. Any revisions to this plan will be noted in this area with the most recent revised date.

- Only essential forensic interviews will be conducted at the CAC. Essential is determined on a case-by-case basis with the input of the MDT members assigned to the case. For any case where the child is determined to be not at risk for the next four weeks, will be scheduled at a later time.
- Staff will work at home with communication via email and cell phones (Kari: 217-552-6848).
- When an interview is requested and needed, CAC staff will need to obtain the caregivers name and phone number. Intake information will be done via phone and ahead of the interview if possible. In addition to the normal intake questions, ask if the caregiver or child has a fever, sore throat, cough, shortness of breath, muscle aches or has traveled to or been with a person from a high-risk area. If so, the interview will not take place. Attendance to the CAC for an interview is limited to one caregiver and only the child(ren) who will be interviewed.
- When the child and family arrive at the CAC, the family will be asked to wash their hands and go directly to the play room. CAC staff will not sit with the family and complete an intake. There will be no lengthy meetings with MDT members before or after the interview. Follow-up or discussion will be done via phone. All areas used in the CAC will be sanitized with sanitizing wipes and a bleach disinfectant spray.
- MDT meetings will be canceled until further notice. For anyone who needs to staff a case we have the ability to host a ZOOM meeting. I will need you to email me the participants that need to be involved and dates and times that will work for you and we can get this scheduled.
- Clinicians are working with children/families on an as needed basis and utilizing Telemental Health Resources as they are able to.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or concerns. The health and safety of all of you is our utmost priority at this time. Thanks for all you do! Be safe!