

# SUMMER SAFETY TIPS for PARENTS and CAREGIVERS.

With summer quickly approaching and parents and caregivers finalizing their summer camp selections, it is important to ask the following questions before you entrust your child to summer camps and/or other child care programs. Knowledge is power – by making an informed decision, you can ensure that your child has a wonderful, exciting and above all, *safe* experience.

- Does the program conduct background checks on all employees?
- How is staff screened?
- Does the agency/program have a policy in place that no child is to be left alone with an adult?
- Does the camp have ACA accreditation? (The American Camp Association evaluates the camp's safety, health, program and camp operations.)
- What is the ratio of staff to children?
- What trainings do staff receive to keep children safe?
- Does this place have a child protection policy regarding how they report suspected abuse?
- Does the policy mandate reporting to all authorities?
- How does the camp handle emergencies?

If you have a concern about the safety and well-being of a child, you have a place to turn. The Dee Norton Child Advocacy Center provides expert, comprehensive care for children and families from the moment of concern through the healing process.

Prevent.  
Protect.  
Heal.



## LEARN MORE

Call **843.723.3600** to speak with a member of our staff or to schedule a tour.



## GET INVOLVED

Visit [DeeNortonCenter.org](https://DeeNortonCenter.org) to volunteer, join one of our supporting organizations, or learn about upcoming events.



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Dee Norton  
CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER



# We help children get better.

The Dee Norton Child Advocacy Center is the region's leading resource to help prevent child abuse, protect abused and traumatized children, and put children and their families on the path to healing.

What we do  
**WORKS.**

**93%**

of the kids we treated last year showed no clinically significant trauma symptoms after treatment, and we're the only center in Charleston County that offers court-admissible forensic interviews to minimize the number of times children have to relay their story.

## Our **SERVICES.**



Education  
and Outreach



Immediate Support  
and Coordination



Forensic  
Interviews



Medical  
Examinations



Mental Health  
Assessments



Therapy for Victims  
and Families



**ABUSE AND TRAUMA KNOW NO COLOR, GENDER, OR FINANCIAL STATUS. OUR CENTER IS FOR ALL CHILDREN, FROM ALL SOCIAL, CULTURAL, AND ECONOMIC BACKGROUNDS.**

**26**

Number of years  
in service

**26k+**

Children and their  
families helped in  
that time

**2,600**

Average number of  
professionals we  
train per year

**14k**

Number of kids studies  
suggest are abused  
in Charleston/Berkeley  
counties each year

**\$3.84**

Average cost to help  
one child for one day