

2020 FAQ Sheet on Endowment Act Funding Outcomes

In 2020, a total of 11,326 child victims and adult survivors of child sexual abuse were supported through \$3.5 million in funding awarded through Act 1 of 2013 (Endowment Act) funds.

Out of 11,272 children served:

- 4,440 received a forensic interview at a Child Advocacy Center (CAC).
- 2,695 were referred for a medical examination.
- 1,492 received a medical examination (55% of all referrals; a decrease from 59% in 2019 and an increase from 51% in 2017).
- 2,781 were referred to counseling or therapy.
- 45.7% of children who completed therapy reported improvement in their Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) symptoms suffered as a result of their victimization.

Endowment Act funding supported 261 trainings (10,853 individuals trained) related to child sexual abuse prevention, awareness, medical services, and mental health therapy. 82.7% of participants found the trainings to be satisfactory.

PCCD supported a total of 52 projects and awarded \$3.5 million in 2019. (Funding related to EA-Treatment Training and EA-Prevention were awarded in previous years.) For more information about these individual projects, please see our Annual Report online at www.pccd.state.pa.gov.

In collaboration with the Child Maltreatment Solutions Network (CMSN) at Pennsylvania State University, PCCD began a three-year child sexual abuse prevention project in 2018 with the goal of lowering child sexual abuse rates within four geographical areas in Pennsylvania (Bucks, Cambria/Somerset, Chester, and York County). The pilot will roll out three evidence-based practice components:

- Community-based = Stewards of Children,
- School-based = Safe Touches, and
- Parent-based = Smart Parents—Safe & Healthy Kids added to an existing evidence-based parent education program.

Since April 2018, 14,235 second graders in 718 classrooms received Safe Touches. As a result of the Safe Touches implementation, there were 31 known referrals made to Childline. The Stewards of Children prevention program was delivered both in person and virtually to 12,439 participants. In the fall of 2019, the Smart Parents—Safe and Healthy Kids curriculum was rolled out; this module has been delivered to 76 parents.

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*Data in this sheet was extracted from Endowment Act (EA) - CAC and EA-Direct Victim Service Organizations that started in January 2020 and July 2020, EA-Treatment Training grants that started in January 2020, EA-Programs Assisting Victims grants that started in July 2019, and EA-Prevention grants that started in January 2018.