

THE KEMPE CHILD PROTECTION TEAM

A world-class team of professionals working as a first line of defense for children.

Why CARE:

Children who are suspected victims of child abuse need a first line of defense to act on their behalf as their advocates and their protectors.

Why KEMPE:

Every year the Kempe Child Protection Team provides evaluation, diagnosis and treatment for over 800 children through our premier team of pediatricians, social work, medical, and mental health professionals. This is the only hospital-based, multi-disciplinary team of its kind in Colorado.

THE KEMPE FOUNDATION FOR THE PREVENTION
AND TREATMENT OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT



Renowned experts.
Remarkable compassion.
Real hope.

WE WORK AS A

comprehensive, multidisciplinary team to provide consultation, assessment, treatment, and referral services for children and adolescents who may have been physically abused, sexually abused or neglected.



This program brings together the best experts and the biggest hearts, all working as one for the best interest of children and families.

The Kempe Child Protection Team helps identify, treat and counsel child abuse victims and their families. As a joint program with The Children's Hospital in Denver, this team is frequently called upon by child welfare and law enforcement agencies in the state for consultation and assistance with both routine and complex cases. In addition, our broad-based education component reaches child welfare colleagues and medical providers in the community. As an academic medical center, we train medical, nursing, social work, and mental health professionals so that our research and knowledge can help more children across the state, region and beyond.

Sadly, the need for this team keeps growing.

The Kempe Child Protection Team plays a vital role in protecting children from child abuse and neglect throughout the state of Colorado. In Colorado, over 39,000 children were investigated for child abuse and neglect in 2004, and 35 of those children died. The number of abused and neglected children goes up each year. We believe it is important that we identify children and families at risk, help substantiate abuse when it has occurred, help rule out child abuse when it has not occurred, and offer advocacy, help, and hope to families.

We not only help young victims, we train others to do the same.

The University of Colorado School of Medicine's Department of Pediatrics and The Kempe Child Protection Team offer specialty child abuse training for pediatricians through our Fellowship Program. Although pediatric and family medicine residency programs are required to provide basic information about child abuse and neglect, many programs do not have faculty or staff who are experts in this area. The number of young physicians who are interested in training in the field of child abuse and neglect continues to grow, and we are proud to be part of this national commitment ready to help them become the future leaders in this field.

Through our collaborative work, we will change a multitude of lives.

Our goal is to lead the way in providing specialized medical and mental health services for children and adolescents and to protect those who are abused and neglected. We will share our results with others, we will train more professionals, and we will remain committed to the children who need us most so that we can provide hope and help for kids and families.

To find out more about this program and our other Kempe programs, please visit www.kempe.org

