

Our mission is to reduce trauma to child abuse victims and their families by providing safety, education, and treatment through investigative and community collaboration in a child friendly and culturally competent setting.



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Somerset County Child Advocacy Center

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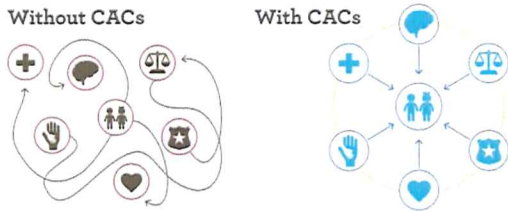
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## Somerset County Child Advocacy Center



At the Somerset County Child Advocacy Center (CAC) you will have access to trained professionals to assist with the evaluation of children when there are allegations of possible physical or sexual abuse.

When child protection or police have concerns that a child is a victim of abuse, the child is referred to the CAC. The CAC is a child-focused, safe environment where a child can tell their story one time to an interviewer with specific training to know how to ask the right questions in a way that will not retraumatize a child. Following the interview, a team including law enforcement, child protection, prosecution, medical professions, mental health, victim advocacy and the CAC meet to determine how to assist the child and family based upon the outcome of the interview. The CAC offers medical exams, victim advocacy including courtroom preparation, and referrals for mental and behavioral health services. At the CAC professionals come to the child to provide services alleviating the need for the child to tell their story multiple times.



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## Services offered

- Forensic Interviews- Audio/Video recorded interview conducted by specially trained neutral individuals according to nationally recognized protocols and standards.
- Forensic Medical Examinations conducted by specially trained medical professionals
- On site access to trained victim advocate with Victim Services Inc.
- Referrals for supportive community services
- Referrals for mental and behavioral health services
- Written reports and recordings provided to investigative entities
- Multi-Disciplinary Investigative Team coordination and facilitation of case review

## Office Hours and Appointments

Hours of Operation: 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Monday through Friday

**Appointments are required.** Referrals for services are accepted from and coordinated with Child Protection and Law Enforcement Investigative Agencies  
Call 814-445-1628 for appointments.

For after hour emergency scheduling contact Somerset County Control at 814-445-1525 and request the CAC Coordinator is contacted.

## Location

The Child Advocacy Center is located at 218 North Kimberly Avenue Suite 4, Somerset, PA 15501

## Access to the CAC:

Enter the parking lot on the right side of the Union Street Offices building, parking near the handicap ramp. Enter the building via the handicap ramp, pass through the stairwell and through the double door. Cross the open common area to the gray door to enter the CAC. Please ring the bell at the door to gain entrance.

Additional parking is available in the lower lot behind the Union Street Building.



If you suspect child abuse or neglect, please contact Childline: 1-800-932-0313