



2023 CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER FUNDING OUTCOMES

In 2023, 41 National Children's Alliance (NCA) members received \$1,907,377 in state Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) funding to sustain or enhance services provided at their CAC.

In 2013, 62% of Pennsylvania was within an hour drive of an NCA Accredited or Associate CAC. As of August 2023, this percentage has increased to 88%; a 26% increase in coverage since 2013.* Three counties had a change in NCA membership status.

The following data were reported by grantees (NCA CAC Members and Developing MDITs/CACs) through their PCCD quarterly reports and reflects services provided and activities conducted throughout 2023 with state CAC funding.**



13,979 children were served. (Up from 12,390 in 2022)



71.8% of children referred (7,286 children) for a medical exam received a medical exam (5,236 children). (Up from 70% in 2022 and down from 76% in 2017)



45.5% of children referred for therapy at the CAC followed through with services and were discharged.*** (Up from 31.9% in 2022 and down from 48% in 2018)



88.9% of children received a forensic interview. (Down from 92.6% in 2022 and up from 83.6% in 2021)

Children's Advocacy Centers of Pennsylvania (PennCAC) receives \$400,000 annually to provide training and technical assistance to NCA members and developing CACs and MDITs. In 2023, PennCAC held 157 trainings that served 2,907 participants, with overall trainee satisfaction averaging 94%. In addition, PennCAC provided 66 consultations/technical assistance sessions to counties.

* This statistic is based on geographic region. As of March 2021, 99% of Pennsylvania's population is within an hour drive of an NCA Accredited or Associate CAC.

** This data only reflects what is reported to PCCD and may differ from other national reporting agencies.

*** Not every CAC is able to gather information on whether a child actually receives mental health services outside of the CAC due to confidentiality restrictions. 734 children were referred for therapy outside the CAC.