

# Child Sexual Abuse Investigations: The Basics (Virtual Training)

**Who should attend:** DSS staff and attorneys, law enforcement officers, prosecutors, guardians ad litem, Children's Advocacy Center professionals, child abuse medical professionals

**Overview:** This two-part virtual training focuses on the basics of child sexual abuse investigations with an emphasis on multidisciplinary coordination. Part I of the training will focus on the roles and function of the multidisciplinary team (MDT), the dynamics of child sexual abuse, legal issues in child sexual abuse cases such as applicable definitions from the S.C. Children's Code and related criminal statutes, common evidentiary hearsay exceptions used in child abuse cases, and unique child hearsay statutory exceptions. Part II will focus on interviewing techniques and methods and strategies to corroborate a child's disclosure of abuse. **\*This training is the same content that is offered as a 1-day in-person training. It is being offered both virtually and in-person to suit the individual learning needs of attendees.**

This training will be offered on a virtual platform. Links will be sent near the date of the training.

## **Dates and Times:**

### **Part I**

May 8, 2024 (9:00 am - 12:00 pm)

### **Part II**

May 8, 2024 (1:00 pm - 4:00 pm)

**\*\*You are not required to attend both parts of the training on the same day, but you must complete Part 1 before attending Part 2.**

**Fee:** There is no charge for this training.

**Continuing Education Credits:** This training is approved for 6 general contact hours (3 hours for each part) and 6.0 hours by the SC Criminal Justice Academy (3 hours for each part).

**For more information:** Contact Daniel Ford at [djford@mailbox.sc.edu](mailto:djford@mailbox.sc.edu) or 803-576-7235.

**To register:** Go to the Children's Law Center registration system:  
<https://sc.edu/clc/public/index.php>. (DSS staff must only register on the SCEIS system.)