

Quick Facts:

*In 2010, there were 735 substantiated cases of child abuse and neglect in Wyoming.

*5.5 out of every 1000 children in Wyoming were victims of abuse or neglect in 2009.

*A report of child abuse is made every 10 seconds in the United States.

*Almost 5 children die every day as a result of child abuse in the U.S. Most of these are under the age of 4.

*About 30% of abused and neglected children will later abuse their own children.



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Mission:

Coordinating prevention efforts in Wyoming to reduce incidents of child neglect, physical, emotional and sexual abuse.

Children deserve to be happy and safe...

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The major focus of Prevent Child Abuse Wyoming is based on three concepts:

Awareness
Coordination
Education

Child abuse and neglect can affect any number of the children in Wyoming. Circumstances surrounding families and communities can lead to abuse and neglect. The good news is that child maltreatment is 100% preventable in part through early prevention **awareness, coordination** of existing services, and **educational** programs. We strive to create solid, effective and early prevention efforts across the State of Wyoming to prevent child maltreatment.

PCA Wyoming has 3 major goals:



#1: Awareness

Individuals in Wyoming communities will understand what child maltreatment is, how it affects children and families, how to report it and how community involvement can reduce the incidence of child maltreatment.

#2: Coordination

Across Wyoming, there are some existing prevention services in a geographically large state with a diverse population. Often coordination of those services through a central focal point is needed to enhance delivery to strengthen families using a community wrap-around approach.

#3: Education

Wyoming has a number of existing resources and venues such as public sector agencies (schools, social service offices, public health, victim services, etc.) and private sector organizations (child development centers, faith-based groups, mental health and substance abuse programs, 501 (c)(3)s etc.) that we will seek collaborative opportunities with to help educate others about how we can collectively reduce the incident of child maltreatment through early prevention efforts.



How Can You Help?

Here are a few quick ways you can play a role in helping families in your community find the strength to raise children who are safe, productive, and healthy!

- **Get to know your neighbors.**

Problems seem less overwhelming when support is nearby.

- **Help a family under stress.**

Offer to babysit, help with chores and errands, or suggest resources in the community that can help.

- **Reach out to children in your community.**

A smile or word of encouragement can mean a lot to a child, whether from a parent or passing stranger.

- **Be an active community member.**

Lend a hand at local schools, community or faith-based organizations, social service agencies, or other places where families and children are supported.

- **Keep your neighborhood safe.**

Start a neighborhood watch or plan a local 'night out' community event. You will get to know your neighbors while helping to keep your neighborhood and children safe.

- **Learn how to recognize and report signs of child abuse and neglect.**

Reporting your concerns may protect a child and get help for a family who needs it.

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