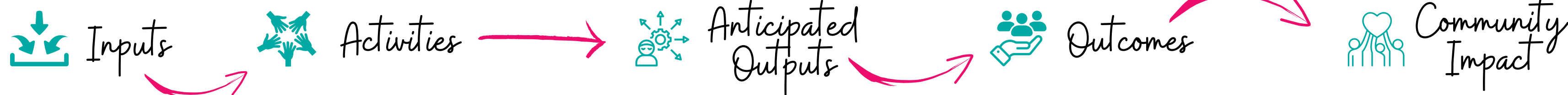




# Child Advocacy Center OF AIKEN COUNTY



## 2022 Logic Model



**Inputs**

- Forensic Interviewers
- Child Advocate
- Office Manager
- Investigators
- MDT Members
- Clinical Interns

**Forensic Interviews**

- Schedule interviews
- Conduct forensic interview with children
- Provide advocacy & support services to family
- Provide a secure digital copy of the interview to investigator(s)
- Share interview information with agency partners involved in case
- Provide follow-up and advocacy services
- Enter data & reports

**434** Forensic Interviews were provided to children who were victims of abuse in a child-friendly, legally sound manner.

• Reduced trauma to the child victim.

• Info gathered in a legally sound manner

• Defining allegations & subsequent prosecution

• Non-offending caregivers received support, resources & referrals that met their needs.

• Increased child, family, and professional satisfaction.

Reduction of child trauma by ensuring child centered coordinated and collaborative response for victims of child abuse and their families.

• Pediatric Medical Responce Team

• Nursing Interns

• Child Advocate

• Office Manager

**Forensic Medicals**

- Provide client information to nurse
- Conduct medical exam
- Send tests off to the lab
- Provide treatment
- Offer support, referrals & follow up, as necessary, to the family
- Produce report

**112** Medical evaluations were conducted with children who were victims of sexual abuse and/or severe physical abuse or neglect.

• Determination of physical evidence from sexual and/or physical abuse

• Non-offending caregivers received support, resources & referrals that met their needs

• Treatment provided to children where medically indicated

Reduction of child trauma by ensuring child centered coordinated and collaborative response for victims of child abuse and their families.

• Therapists

• Clinical Interns

• Office Manager

**Therapy**

- Identify children who may have significant trauma related symptoms.
- Provide trauma-focused therapy to abused children and families
- Conduct pre and post therapy assessments with children to measure their trauma symptoms

Conducted **561** therapy sessions – most of the children completing therapy at our center reported a reduction in their trauma symptoms as measured by the Child PTSD Symptom or CATS (Child & Adolescence Trauma Scale) Assessment.

• Children will make progress on therapy goals

• Children will show fewer trauma related symptoms as they progress through therapy.

With reduced trauma-related symptoms, children will grow up healthier and live more productive lives

• MDT Coordinator

• Forensic Interviewers

• Child Advocate

• Therapists

• Clinical Interns

• Executive Director

• MDT Partner Agencies

**Multidisciplinary Team (MDT)**

- Establish memorandum of understanding between agencies
- Coordinate discussion of each case
- Document recommendations
- Offer professional support to peers

**100%** of those responding to the survey, MDT members agree that clients benefit from the MDT, and it is useful for the development of each case.

• Reduces trauma to the child.

• Increased # of children served by coordinated vs. fragmented approach

• Referrals made for follow-up

• Increased level of professional satisfaction with regards to MDT process

Reduction of child trauma by ensuring child centered coordinated and collaborative response for victims of child abuse and their families.

• Executive Director

• Office Manager

• Volunteers

• Clinical Interns

**Prevention & Education**

- Conduct child sexual abuse prevention/education with various community groups.
- Conduct parent training classes teaching positive discipline
- Attend health and other informational fairs throughout the community to bring awareness to issues surrounding child abuse.

Parent Project teaches alternatives to decrease the likelihood of physical abuse and neglect in addition to teaching loving solutions to decrease emotional degradation. Since implemented, we have trained **2** instructors and a total of **11** parents have participated in this class for 2022. **Most parents** agreed the program taught them alternatives they can use and wished they had known about it sooner.

• Increased knowledge in the community of child abuse including child sexual abuse, its impact on children (both while young and as adults) and methods of prevention.

• Increased skill level in parenting reducing opportunity for physical and emotional abuse and neglect.

Adults become aware of the signs of abuse, take initiative to protect children from that abuse, and gain tools to discipline their children without the use of physical punishment or emotional degradation