

WHAT USED TO HAPPEN WHEN KIDS NEED HEALING & TREATMENT FOR ABUSE



Typical Case:
Robin, Age 5



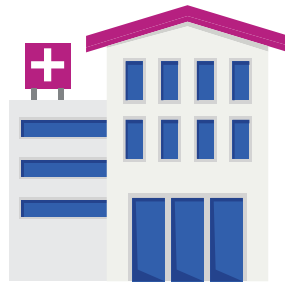
Robin tells her teacher she is being hurt at home.

At school, who talks to Robin?
Maybe her teacher, her principal, and/or a school nurse who might also examine her.

The school calls the Child Abuse Hotline and law enforcement.



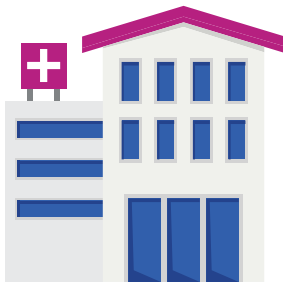
A Child Welfare Services worker needs to talk to Robin.



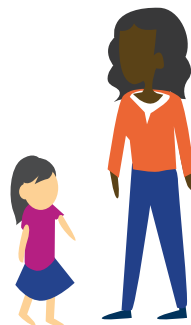
Who talks to Robin? A nurse, social worker, doctor. Who examines Robin? Doctor.



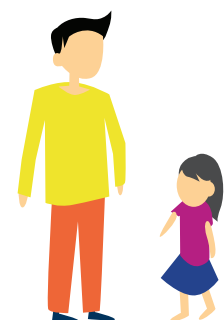
A police officer needs to talk to Robin.



Detective is assigned and brings Robin to a specialized hospital where another nurse, social worker, and doctor talk to her. She is examined by another doctor.



A lawyer needs to talk to Robin.



A counselor needs to talk to Robin.

WHY DO I HAVE TO TALK TO SO MANY PEOPLE?



ROBIN HAD TO TALK TO 15 PEOPLE, BUT NOW...



THE SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY SYSTEM OF RESPONSE TO CHILD ABUSE

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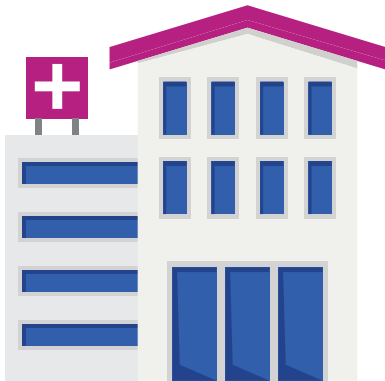
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The school calls the Child Abuse Hotline and law enforcement. An appointment with the Child Abuse Interview Team (CAIT) is scheduled.



Robin shares her experience with a Child Forensic Interviewer while a detective, Child Welfare Services worker, and a deputy district attorney listen as a team.



Robin sees a child abuse pediatrician facilitated by the Suspected Abuse Response Team (SART).



Robin's mom talks to the CAC Family Advocate to help her understand available resources and receives a counseling referral.

If appropriate, Robin's mom also talks to a Victim Witness Advocate who helps her understand the criminal and victim justice system process.

NOW WITH THE CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER COORDINATED SYSTEM, ROBIN ONLY TALKS TO 4 PEOPLE.

- The CAC SLO County Multi-Disciplinary Team includes:**
- Child Abuse Interview Team (CAIT)
 - Suspected Abuse Response Team (SART)
 - County of San Luis Obispo District Attorney Office
 - County of San Luis Obispo Public Health
 - County of San Luis Obispo Department of Social Services
 - Law Enforcement Agencies
 - County of San Luis Obispo Office of Education

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