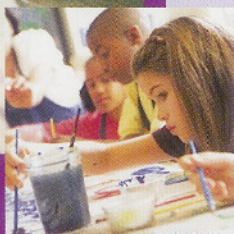


# American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children



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**Colleagues  
connecting for kids.**

APSAC is a non-profit interdisciplinary membership organization incorporated in 1987. Thousands of professionals from all over the world—attorneys, child protective services workers, law enforcement officers, nurses, physicians, researchers, teachers, psychologists, clergy, administrators, and allies—have joined APSAC's effort to ensure that everyone affected by child maltreatment receives the best possible professional response.

## APSAC's Mission

### APSAC is committed to:

- Providing professional education which promotes effective, culturally sensitive, and interdisciplinary approaches to the identification, intervention, treatment, and prevention of child abuse and neglect.
- Promoting research and guidelines to inform professional practice.
- Educating the public about child abuse and neglect.
- Ensuring that America's public policy concerning child maltreatment is well informed and constructive.



## ***Working Together in Response to Child Maltreatment***

Through our publications, professional education, outreach and advocacy activities, APSAC addresses all facets of the professional response to child maltreatment: prevention, assessment, intervention and treatment. Our members and Board of Directors represent all of the major disciplines responding to child abuse and neglect, including mental health, law, research, medicine, child protective services, education and law enforcement. Our publications and training cover all aspects of child maltreatment, including emotional neglect and other forms of neglect, psychological maltreatment, and physical and sexual abuse. Most important, all of APSAC's products are solidly grounded and based on the latest empirical research.

*"The publications and training opportunities available through APSAC are without equal. In my opinion, the most helpful resource for 'surviving the courtroom' is APSAC."*

*Social Worker, Jefferson County, CO*

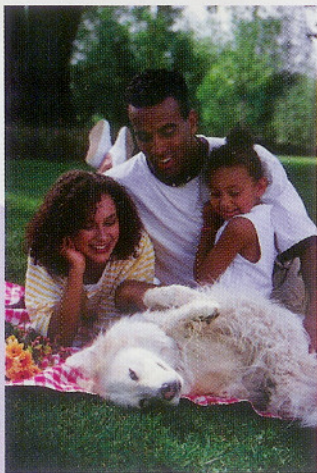
# **Join APSAC Today!**

# Benefits of Membership

- The *APSAC Advisor*, a hands-on style quarterly publication that brings you the latest news in practice, research, legislation, publication and events in the field of child maltreatment.
- *Child Maltreatment*, the distinguished quarterly peer-reviewed journal designed expressly to bring APSAC's members the latest research, policy, and practice information in clear language and immediately usable form.
- Discounts on APSAC's National Colloquium, Forensic Interview Clinics and Institutes.
- A thriving State Chapter network through which members can form vital partnerships with other professionals in their states.
- The opportunity to participate in national task forces, establishing best practice guidelines in many critical areas.
- Discounts on APSAC Practice Guidelines, including *Investigative Interviewing in Cases of Alleged Child Abuse*, *Descriptive Terminology in Child Sexual Abuse Medical Evaluations*, *Photographic Documentation of Child Abuse* and more. New Guidelines become available as they are published.
- An interdisciplinary professional network of thousands of colleagues.

*"APSAC is part of my professional identity. I have been involved since its formation and am proud to be associated with such a fine organization"*

Researcher, San Diego, CA



**Some things you just can't do  
alone, no matter how hard you try.**

**Raise a barn.**

**Build a rocket.**

**Protect a child.**

You have to give it your personal best, of course. You also have to trust that your teammates are giving it theirs.

APSAC helps you and your interdisciplinary allies bring the best possible professional practice to your commitment to end the pain of child maltreatment.

Through journals, newsletters, practice guidelines, conference, and state chapters, with support for research, advocacy, and public education, APSAC provides strong team leadership for the interdisciplinary professionals who are working together to prevent and respond to child maltreatment.

To tackle this day-to-day problem, individual commitment and passion are necessary. However, we also need outstanding, ongoing professional education. ***And we need each other.***

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