

CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 544 of 2008

***** 722.1044.new THIS NEW SECTION IS EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2009 *****

722.1044.new Expenditures; limitation; annual audit and report.

Sec. 4. (1) Money shall not be expended from the fund for the first year after the effective date of this act. Beginning 2 years after the effective date of this act, the board may expend money from the fund as appropriated. Money in the fund shall be expended only as follows:

(a) To provide investigative, assessment, counseling, support, and educational services to victims of child sexual abuse and their families through children's advocacy centers.

(b) To pay the actual and reasonable operating costs of children's advocacy centers.

(c) To provide training related to child sexual abuse for personnel employed or otherwise retained by children's advocacy centers.

(d) To improve the detection, investigation, treatment, and prevention of child sexual abuse through the coordinated activities of children's advocacy centers, medical care providers, crime victim organizations, and local, state, and federal law enforcement officials.

(e) To improve public awareness of child sexual abuse through the use of children's advocacy centers.

(f) To pay the actual and reasonable costs of administering the fund. Not more than 10% of distributions made in any fiscal year shall be used to pay administrative costs under this subdivision.

(2) The board shall require an annual audit of income and expenditures under this section and shall provide an annual report of incomes and expenditures to the secretary of the senate and the clerk of the house of representatives by February 1 of each year.

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