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### National Children's Alliance Awards Grant to Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard

*Melbourne, Fla.*—The National Children's Alliance (NCA) has awarded a \$10,000 program support grant to the Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard (CACB).

To receive funding from the NCA, the Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard must address goals to improve the quality of services to abused children by improving performance under any of the NCA's 10 national standards. This particular grant will address the NCA standard, Child-Appropriate/Child-Friendly Facility, which is described as a comfortable, private, child-friendly setting that is both physically and psychologically safe for clients.

Established in 1996, the Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard is a nonprofit organization affiliated with Wuesthoff Health Services. Advocacy Center partners are involved in the most difficult cases in Brevard County, including cases of child sexual or severe physical abuse, and neglect. CACB is a multi-agency collaboration of the Child Protection Team, the Florida Department of Children and Families, both of which are onsite at the Advocacy Center; Brevard County Sheriff's Office and municipal law enforcement agencies, the Office of the State Attorney and community mental health professionals. The CACB Clinical Intervention Program provides immediate mental health crisis counseling for child victims and their non-offending family members. Major onsite services provided by the Child Protection Team include medical exams, medical consultations, and specialized and forensic interviews.

For additional information about the Children's Advocacy Center of Brevard, or to schedule a tour, call 259-1883, or visit our website at [www.cacbrevard.org](http://www.cacbrevard.org).

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