



Child Abuse Prevention

There are risk factors associated with child abuse that, when recognized, provide an opportunity for child health providers to assist families and intervene before abuse occurs. Health care providers can play a crucial role in ensuring that infants and their parents have access to support and services that help reduce the risk for child abuse and neglect.

The Child Abuse Prevention module is provided through the Educating Practices in Communities (**EPIC**) program. A trainer (physician or child abuse prevention professional) will visit your practice at a time convenient for you and provide a brief presentation to you and your entire staff on child abuse prevention. Information about resources and services in your community to which you may refer is provided.

Presentation Objectives

- Assist practices in the prevention of child abuse
- Suggest anticipatory guidance strategies for preventing child abuse
 - Shaken Baby Syndrome prevention
 - Effective Discipline
 - Sexual Abuse prevention
- Define a role for everyone in the office to address refer risk for or suspected child abuse or neglect

EPIC provides:

- > Child Abuse Prevention resources including information about resources and services in your community to which you may refer
- > Lunch or snack

