

## **Solution Templates**

### **Children's Advocacy Centers**

Children's Advocacy Centers (CACs) provide support and resources for parents and caregivers and their children birth to 5 years old who are experiencing abusive situations. The CAC will provide services including family advocacy, mental health services from a licensed therapist, community awareness & education, medical evaluations, forensic interviews, and must include a multi-disciplinary team. Children's Advocacy Center services take place in-person, as needed in a private, safe, child-focused community space. The CAC must be a member of the Children's Advocacy Center of North Carolina (CACNC). The multidisciplinary team will consist of representatives from the following disciplines: Law Enforcement, Child Protective Services (CPS), Prosecution, Medical, Mental Health, Victim Advocacy, and Children's Advocacy Center (CAC). The CAC will follow all training requirements outlined in the National Children's Alliance Accreditation Standards and the CACNC State Standards.