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| Children’s Advocacy Center A New Beginning….*Serving Guernsey County, Byesville, Cambridge and Surrounding Areas.**Protecting our Children…**Supporting our Families…**Preventing further harm…**By caring for Guernsey County’s sexually abused children and their families.* |
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|  | About UsAt the Children’s Advocacy Center we strive to create an environment that provides child-friendly, family centered, victim services to support children who have the courage to disclose abuse.The Center opened their doors to the children of Guernsey County in 2006 so children would have a safe place to share their story and begin the healing process. * 501c3 Non-Profit Agency
* Grant Funded and Supported
* Nationally Accredited by the National Children’s Alliance
* Supported by the Ohio Attorney General’s Office
* Supported by the Ohio Governor’s Office
* Member of the Ohio Network of Children’s Advocacy Centers
* Member of the National Children’s Alliance
* Designated responder to child victims of Human Trafficking

Most would like to think it does not happen or exist in Guernsey County**-*but it does*.** | The Children’s Advocacy Center*A Nationally Accredited* *Children’s Advocacy Center*Phone: 740-432-6581268 Highland AvePO Box 1725Cambridge, Ohio 43725anewbeginningcac@gmail.comguernseycac.org  ***A 501c3 Organization******All Contributions are******Tax Deductible***One child sexually abused in Guernsey County…  *…is one child too many**Printed with funds from the Ohio Attorney**General’s Office of Victims of Crime Act* |  |

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| 1 in 4 Females & 1 in 6 Males are sexually abused by the age of 18.*According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (2006) that is the alarming statistic surrounding child sexual abuse in the U.S.*It is an uncomfortable subject to discuss for many people. It hurts to think about someone sexually assaulting a child. Unreported child sexual abuse leaves the child scarred, destroys families and leave the perpetrator free to harm and cripple other children. |  | * A coordinated forensic interview conducted by a specially trained professional with the wellbeing of the child in mind.
* Comprehensive services, provide in a child friendly setting; allowing family needs to be met with the assistance of local agencies and partners.
* Law Enforcement
* Children Services
* Local Mental Health
* Prosecutor’s Office
* Victim Advocacy
* Medical Services
* Ongoing case management to help reduce duplication of services and trauma to the child.
* Dual recording of interviews for law enforcement and prosecution, reducing the need of multiple interviews.

Every child deservesa happy childhood. | What happens here…When a child has an outcry of abuse our intervention efforts are delivered with professionalism and sensitivity* A coordinated forensic interview conducted by a specially trained professional with the wellbeing of the child in mind.
* Comprehensive services, provided in a child friendly setting; allowing family needs to be met with the assistance of local agencies and partners in one location. Local partners include;
* Law Enforcement
* Children Services
* Local Mental Health
* Prosecutor’s Office
* Victim Advocacy
* Medical Services
* Ongoing case management to help reduce duplication of services and trauma to the child.
* Dual recording of interviews for law enforcement and prosecution, reducing the need of multiple interviews and increasing accountability of offenders.

Every child deservesa happy childhood. |  |  |  |  | * Our Hopes
* Ensure all sexually abused children have access to medical exams
* Increase prosecution rates by holding offenders accountable via coordinated recorded forensic interviews
* Increase family and professionals knowledge & utilization of the CAC to reduce trauma for those children who have experienced abuse
* Increase community knowledge of the prevalence of child sexual abuse and what can be done to prevent it

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