

# WALWORTH COUNTY CHILDREN'S COURT ADVISORY BOARD

## Inter-Agency Letter of Agreement

WHEREAS, many Walworth County children are victims of abuse and neglect, the undersigned agencies recognize how destructive such abuse and neglect is to the victimized children and their families;

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect are community problems and no single agency, individual or discipline has all of the necessary knowledge, skills or resources to provide the assistance needed by children who are victims of such abuse and neglect, the undersigned agencies recognize that coordination of their services will provide a system that minimizes trauma to the child;

WHEREAS, inter-agency communication and cooperation will facilitate a better understanding and respect for roles and expertise of each agency, and more informed decisions for dealing with these children and their non-offending family members;

THEREFORE, it is resolved this 26<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008, that the undersigned agencies have agreed to coordinate their various efforts to:

- Protect children from further harm,
- Develop a prompt, comprehensive, multi-disciplinary response to child victims of abuse and neglect which is designed to meet the needs of the victims and their non-offending family members,
- Provide the child victims and their non-offending family members with needed services,
- Hold the offender accountable for his or her actions, and provide them with services to prevent further abuse,
- Promote the growth of community awareness regarding issues of child abuse and neglect,

It is further resolved that the undersigned agencies agree to follow uniform protocols that are supported through individual agency policies and procedures.

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