



# Investing in Community-based Child Abuse Intervention:

*The facts on proven and cost-effective efforts to protect Oregon's children*

## How do Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Intervention (CAMI) Funds help Oregon's children?

- **4,300 abused Oregon children benefit.** Oregon's 20 child abuse intervention centers provide services to more than 4,300 children annually statewide, servicing every Oregon county – all receive some CAMI funding.
- **The need is real – only 46 percent of 36,303 child abuse reports were assessed in 2001.** Reports of child abuse are rising but assessed and founded cases are declining; thus, more possible cases of abuse are going unattended. We cannot afford to reduce proven, child abuse intervention services.
- **Invests in proven, nationally-recognized practices.** CAMI funds help ensure that Oregon's communities maintain services in accordance with the proven and nationally recognized multidisciplinary team model for child abuse investigation.
- **Oregon's Child Abuse Intervention Centers are cost-effective.** Without the Oregon's child abuse intervention centers, the burden of providing medical assessments and interviews to child abuse victims will fall directly onto the state and result in higher costs to state agencies.
- **A public-private partnership that works.** Oregon's child abuse intervention centers use the CAMI dollars they receive both to support program operations and to leverage additional funds from private foundations and donors.

## What will proposed state funding reductions mean to Oregon's child abuse victims?

- Oregon's children will not obtain the services they need to overcome their abuse.
- Oregon's counties will have fewer resources to investigate allegations of child abuse – the burden for these investigations will be largely shifted back to law enforcement.
- Oregon's children will not have the same access to medical assessment services and high quality care they receive from child abuse intervention centers' specially trained providers.

## How can Oregon's child abuse intervention centers continue to provide their services at current service levels?

- Keep the Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Intervention (CAMI) funding stable.
- Hold Oregon's child abuse intervention centers harmless in the 2003 – 2005 budgetary process.
- Protect the unitary assessment fund so that it compensates the victims it was intended to assist – these funds come from criminal fines assessed to people who commit crimes and are determined by a court of law at the time of sentencing.

# How Child Abuse Intervention Centers work

Oregon's child abuse intervention centers are an integral part of each county's ability to respond to child abuse allegations and to provide essential services needed to ensure the health and well being of Oregon's suspected child abuse victims. Every center coordinates investigations and provides medical exams, interviews and mental health support to children who are referred to them when there are allegations of child abuse.

CAMI funds are a portion of the criminal fines and assessment dollars, which are collected by every county and pooled by the state. The purpose of these funds is to help victims of crime – including Oregon's abused and neglected children.

The CAMI funds Oregon's child abuse intervention centers receive are only a portion of each center's budget. CAMI funds are leveraged for private funding, creating a more effective public-private partnership and costing the state less.

With Oregon's proposed reductions in state funding for child abuse intervention centers, Oregon's children will not have the same access to medical assessment services and high quality care they receive from child abuse intervention centers' specially trained providers. CAMI funds are critical to the protection of our children, to getting abused and neglected children into treatment, to the health of our communities and to Oregon's future prosperity.

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