

Clinton County District Attorney's
Child Advocacy Center

Please Wear Blue on Fridays in April

**APRIL IS
CHILD ABUSE
PREVENTION MONTH**

This is a time to recognize that we each can play a part in promoting the social and emotional well-being of children and families in our communities.

Children are suffering from a hidden epidemic of child abuse and neglect. It's a widespread war against our children that we have the power to stop, and understanding the issue is the first step. Just how bad is the issue of child abuse in the United States?

The United States has one of the worst records among industrialized nations – losing on average between four and seven children every day to child abuse and neglect.



Individuals who reported six or more adverse childhood experiences had an average life expectancy two decades shorter than those who reported none.

As many as two-thirds of the people in treatment for drug abuse reported being abused or neglected as children.