

It is one of the most widespread and serious child health problems.

It can have devastating effects that last throughout a lifetime.

It strikes 1 out of every 10 children and adolescents. Kids who are mentally ill or developmentally disabled can be especially at risk.

It can destroy organizations in which it occurs.

But it can often be prevented.

Or identified and stopped.

If you know how.

The TEDI BEAR Children's Advocacy Center at ECU's Brody School of Medicine offers free Stewards of Children training for behavioral health professionals, professionals in training, and organizations that are responsible for children.

Stewards of Children is a 2 – 2½ hour seminar on practical, evidence-based ways to prevent, recognize, and respond effectively to child sexual abuse. The training can be offered in any community, on any day or evening of the week, at no charge. It can also be offered in either one or two sessions. This training is approved for several types of continuing education credit, and is especially appropriate for:

- Social Workers
- Licensed Professional Counselors
- Marriage & Family Therapists
- Psychologists
- Substance Abuse Professionals
- Developmental Disabilities Staff
- Behavioral Health Paraprofessionals
- Parent & Family Education Programs

If you would like to learn more about the training, please contact [Kelly Baxter](#) or [Kevin Krisher](#) at 252-744-8334. You can also find the answers to several [frequently asked questions](#) about Stewards of Children at www.ecu.edu/tedibear.