

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.

It can severely damage churches 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 congregational leaders, staff, volunteers, parents, and other adults who take responsibility for children.

Stewards of Children is a 2 – 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 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:

- Clergy & Lay Leadership
- Child Care Staff & Volunteers
- Bus and Van Drivers
- Mentoring Programs
- Parents & Other Caregivers
- Youth & Teen Program Leaders
- Pastoral Counselors
- Community Service Groups

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](http://www.ecu.edu/tedibear).