



Marie-Vincent Foundation Services

Guide for
parents



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The Marie-Vincent Foundation dreams of a world free of sexual violence toward children and adolescents.

We are committed to playing a role in preventing sexual violence by focusing our advocacy efforts on children, adolescents, parents, professionals and the general public.

From this prevention perspective, we also assist children who have sexual behaviour problems.

We are a **Child Advocacy Centre** that provides its services in an integrated manner, from first disclosure to final treatment. This model helps reduce the stress and anxiety felt by children and teens throughout the process, limits time spent travelling to and from different locations, and facilitates caseworkers' coordination with partners.

To help the cause and eliminate sexual violence, we mobilize the victims, their parents, financial and government partners and professionals who work with young victims, such as pediatricians, youth protection caseworkers, investigators and prosecutors.

Our services



Assistance to families

We help children and adolescents who are victims of sexual violence to surmount this ordeal by providing specialized treatment adapted to their needs.

All of our services – police, medical, psychosocial and therapeutic – are grouped together under one roof.

From initial disclosure to last treatment, we support the parents of children and adolescents who have been subjected to sexual violence.

On the prevention front, we also help children ages 12 and under who have sexual behaviour problems.



Research Chair

We are the only Child Advocacy Centre in Canada to be associated with a research chair.

The Marie-Vincent Interuniversity Research Chair assesses the needs of children, adolescents and their families, charts the progress of young people during their treatment, and evaluates the quality of the services provided so that we might constantly strive to improve them.

The researchers associated with the Chair are developing high-level expertise in screening, treating and preventing sexual violence toward children and teens.



Prevention

We conduct outreach activities aimed at children, adolescents, parents and professionals to raise awareness of the importance of sex education and to promote egalitarian relationships.

Many prevention tools have been developed by our experts and are provided free to different target groups.

3 → Training

Through our training program, we contribute to the transfer of knowledge and the development of best practices in regard to sexual violence interventions for children and adolescents.

The training program is intended for professionals working with children and teens, particularly in the health and social services network, education and early childhood centres, police services and community and socio-judicial organizations.

4 → Partner services

We support our various partners in the health and social services system, education and early childhood network, community organizations and police services in their dealings with young people who are victims of sexual violence or who have sexual behaviour problems, by providing an advice helpline, professional counselling and psychotherapy supervision.

We work with our partners to prevent sexual violence among young people and better support and treat those who are victims.

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