Prevent Child Abuse Nevada

Our mission is to ensure that Nevada's children thrive in *safe*, *stable*, and *nurturing* environments and relationships!

Through providing education, advocacy, and awareness. PCA NV aims to inspire communities to prevent all forms of child maltreatment.



Nevada Institute for Children's Research and Policy

NICRP conducts academic and community-based research in multiple areas affecting children and their families.

https://nic.unlv.edu/

- UNLV
 - School of Public Health
 - Nevada Institute for Children's Research and Policy
 - Prevent Child Abuse Nevada
 - Nevada Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program
 - Nevada Afterschool Network
 - Nevada Early Childhood Obesity Prevention Workgroup

Advocacy

Policy Priorities

- Child Sexual Abuse Prevention
- Prevent Childhood Trauma (ACEs)
- Promote Resilience and Positive Childhood Experiences PCE's
- Pinwheel Planting at the State Legislature Lawn
 - April 5th

Legislative Session Involvement

- As part of NICRP, we monitor legislation that impacts children and families; work to obtain and maintain funding for prevention programs; and collaborate with organizations, community leaders and public policy makers.
 - Children's Week at the Nevada Legislature March 13-17, 2023

Outreach

Community resource fairs

- Nevada Partners
- Las Vegas—Clark County Library District
- Recreation Centers

School fairs

- Berkeley L Bunker Elementary
- Mater Academy
- · Thomas Elementary School, Ruby S.
- Equipo Academy

Holiday events

- La posada de Las Vegas
- Christmas experience
- Easter Egg hunts
- Halloween/Trunk or Treat



Trainings

- We offer a variety of trainings for parents, youth, organizations and the general community.
 - Recognizing and reporting child maltreatment
 - Child sexual abuse prevention
 - Evidence-based positive parenting program (Triple P)
 - Selecting safe caregivers for children
 - The effects of stress on children's brain development
 - Cultural competency
 - Tactics to build healthy families and communities

• Many of our presentations are available in English and Spanish.

Parent Advisory Group

The Parent Advisory Group consists of parents and caregivers in the state of Nevada, working collectively toward ensuring that Nevada's children thrive in safe, stable, nurturing environments and relationships by providing education, advocacy, and awareness.

Members of the group provide guidance and parenting expertise on programs and material created to meet this goal.

- 8 Members
 - 5 in Clark County
 - 2 in Washoe
 - 1 in Churchill



Other Activities



Go Blue Day!



Statewide Child Abuse Prevention and Safety Conference



Biannual Webinars

Pinwheels For Prevention

• Why pinwheels?

- The pinwheels represent childlike whimsy and lightheartedness and our vision for a world where all children grow up happy, healthy, and prepared to succeed in supportive families and communities.
- 3 Pinwheel Planning Calls
- Pinwheels for Prevention Toolkit
- Kick-Off Child Abuse Prevention Month on Friday, April 5th, 2024
 - GO BLUE! by wearing blue and posting to social media with #GoBlueNV



UMC Hospital Staff

Biannual Webinars

- Strategic Plan for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect in Nevada Overview
- Creating Musical Instruments at Home to Stimulate Healthy Development
- Nevada 988: A Crisis Response System
- Engaging Indigenous Families and Communities
- Safe Spaces for Youth Development and Enrichment
- Supporting Immigrant Families in the Current Immigration Landscape
- Understanding Crisis: Information and Strategies for Parents and Caregivers
- Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome: What You Should Know



Statewide Child Abuse Prevention and Safety Conference

- The 21st Nevada Child Abuse Prevention & Safety Conference was held on June 13th, 2023 at Nevada State College in Henderson Nevada.
- There were over 90 attendees. This year's theme was Cultivating Spaces Where All Families Can Bloom, with a focus on family-centered approaches to prevention. In total 9 sessions were offered with topics ranging from Inclusive Supports for Families of Children with Disabilities in Nevada to Engaging Diverse Populations and Incorporating Lived Experiences in Prevention.
- Next conference 2025



Strategic Plan for the Prevention of Child Abuse & Neglect in Nevada

• The Strategic Plan for the Prevention of Child Maltreatment in Nevada will work as a guiding tool to strengthen prevention efforts in the state. One of the main outcomes of strategic planning is to ensure alignment on common purpose. The development of our strategic plan will ensure coordination of efforts and strive for an equitable distribution of funds to meet the needs of families in every community in Nevada.

This strategic plan was informed by:

- The Nevada Needs Assessment on the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect
 - A. Review of existing needs assessments in Nevada
 - B. Review of data in Nevada related to child maltreatment, risk factors, and protective factors
 - C. Focus groups and surveys with parents and providers
- 2. Parent and Caregiver data from focus groups and interviews
- 3. Community Stakeholder data from community focus groups.
- https://www.preventchildabusenevada.org/about/strategic-plan/
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nDPYBDEZgws

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