

Court Appointed **Special Advocates** endocino & Lake

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"WE are for the child"



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Recognizing When a Child's Injury or facebook Illness Is Caused by Abuse

OJJDP has published the guide "Recognizing When a Child's Injury or Illness Is Caused by Abuse.

The guide provides information to help law enforcement differentiate between physical abuse and accidental injury during a child abuse investigation. The guide also identifies questions that law enforcement should address during an investigation, describes how to conduct a caretaker assessment when a child



is injured, and highlights ways to work with the medical community to distinguish types of injuries and bruises.





Teenage Girls in the Child Welfare System

The CASA Board of Directors meets on the 3rd Tuesday each month at 11:30am at the CASA office.

The Mendocino Co. Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Commission meets monthly on the 3rd Friday noon to 2 p.m. at the Probation Dept. conference room, 589 Low Gap Road, Ukiah.

The Lake Co. Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention Commission meets monthly on the 3rd Thursday at noon, conference room C, on the 3rd floor of the Lake County Courthouse, 255 N. Forbes St., Lakeport.

Call 463-6503, visit us at <u>vww.mendocinocasa.org</u> or

find us on <u>Facebook</u> for more information about the

many ways to VOLUNTEER with CASA of Mendocino & **Lake Counties.**

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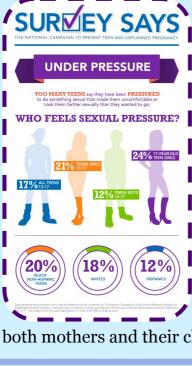
Counties trains and supports caring adult volunteer mentors & Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) to connect and advocate for foster youth, former foster youth, delinquent and at-risk

youth.

Are you interested in becoming a

CASA volunteer but you're in need of more information? Join us at one of our monthly OPEN HOUSES to learn more about CASA and pick up an application. Open Houses are held every 2nd Thursday of the month, from noon to 1 p.m. at the CASA Office at 327 N. State St., S-204 in Ukiah. To attend please R.S.V.P. by calling 707-489-5346 or emailing Sheryn at

Report High Rates of Risky Sexual Activity and Pregnancy Risky sexual be-/ SAYS haviors such as early age of sexual



initiation, sex with multiple partners, and unprotected sex pose a serious threat to adolescents' well-being, increasing the risk of teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases. Teen childbearing is associated with numerous negative consequences for **Risky**



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