



**2022-2023 data report**

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# Children Served

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| New Children Served = 583 |
|  | **Number of New Children Served at NORTH STAR CAC** | **% New Children Served at NORTH STAR CAC** | **% New Children Served in WV CACs** | **% CAC-Served Children Nationally\*\*** |
| Male | **233** | **40%** | 41%   | 35%  |
| Female | **348** | **60%** | 58%   | 65%  |
| Other | **2** | **<1%** | 1%   | 1%  |
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| 0-6 years | **154** | **26%** | 25%   | 28%  |
| 7-12 years | **265** | **45%** | 43%   | 37%  |
| 13-18+ years | **164** | **28%** | 32%   | 35%  |
| Undisclosed Age |  |  |  |  |
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| White | **517** | **89%** | 88%   | 50%  |
| Black/African American | **6** | **1%** | 3%   | 18%  |
| Hispanic/Latino | **18** | **3%** | 1%   | 18%  |
| American Indian | **0** | **0%** | <1%   | 2%  |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | **0** | **0%** | <1%   | 1%  |
| Other\*\*\* | **44** | **7%** | 7%   | 6%  |
| \* This represents* a 1.52% decrease from the number of new children served in FY 2021-2022
* a 47.97% increase of new children served in the last 5 years (FY 2018-19-Present)

\*\* Nationally, <1% of kids did not have a disclosed age. For national race/ethnicity info, “other” and “undisclosed” are combined. WV CACs do not track these separately. |

## Official Service Area & Children Served

**WV CACs officially serves 46 of 55 counties in the state and provide courtesy services to children in the counties not officially served by a CAC. The full array of CAC services are available to 326,851 (or 93%) of the state’s children. This leaves 25,139 children without direct access to the services of a CAC.**

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| Service Rate Comparison Per 1,000 Children in Official Service Area |
|  | **Counties Officially Served** | **Child Population in Official Service Area** | **# New Children seen by CAC in 2022-2023** | **Rate of New Children Served by Child Population\*** |
| STATE TOTAL | **46**  | **326,851**  | **4,879**  | **14.93**  |
| NORTH STAR CAC  | Wood, Richie, Pleasants, Wirt, Calhoun | **22,487**  | **583**  | **25.93**  |
| \* Populations based on estimates for individuals under age 18 per county from US Census Data for all counties officially served by a particular CAC. Rates per 1,000 children in population of official service area. |

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| Forensic Interview Rate Comparison Per 1,000 Children in Official Service Area |
|  | **Counties Officially Served** | **Child Population in Official Service Area** | **# Forensic Interviews in 2022-2023** | **\* Rate of Forensic Interviews by Child Population** |
| STATE TOTAL | **46**  | **326,851**  | **4,596**  | **14.06**  |
| NORTH STAR CAC  |  Wood, Richie, Pleasants, Wirt, Calhoun | **22,487**  | **605**  | **26.90**  |
| \* Populations based on estimates of individuals under age 18 per county from US Census Data for all counties officially served by a particular CAC. Rates per 1,000 children in population of official service area. |

## Children with Disabilities

In the 2022-2023 fiscal year, approximately 48% of children served at NORTH STAR CAC had at least one reported or suspected disability compared to an approximate average of 30% (Range 1% - 58%) of children served by all WV CACs. From available data on WV’s public schools, it is estimated that 19% of children enrolled in public schools have some form of disability (ideadata.org). Due to differences in how CACs and the Department of Education collect/report these numbers, this is only a rough comparison.

# Alleged Offenders

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| Alleged Offender Relationships |
|  | **Individuals** | **% Total Alleged Offenders at CAC** | **% of Total Alleged Offenders in WV CACs\*** | **% of Total Alleged Offenders in CACs Nationally\*** |
| Total | **680** | - | - | - |
| Parent | **344** | 51% | 46%   | 34%  |
| Step-Parent | **83** | 12% | 9%   | 6%  |
| Other Relative | **129** | 19% | 21%   | 20%  |
| Parent's Boyfriend/Girlfriend | **57** | 8% | 10%   | 6%  |
| Other Known Person | **83** | 12% | 22%   | 24%  |
| Unknown Person (UNIDENTIFIED) | **2** | <1% | 3%   | 12%   |
| Unknown Person (STRANGER) | **1** | <1% | 1% |
| \* Alleged offenders may have multiple victims, and therefore different relationship to more than one child. This creates a slight discrepancy in the number of alleged offenders and the number of relationships reported.\*\* Nationally, unknown/unidentified and unknown/stranger are not separated.  |

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| Age of Alleged Offenders |
|  | **Individuals** | **% Total Alleged Offenders at CAC** | **% of Total Alleged Offenders in WV CACs** | **% of Total Alleged Offenders in CACs Nationally** |
| Under 13 | **22** | 3% | 5%   | 6%  |
| 13 to 17 | **41** | 6% | 10%   | 11%  |
| 18+ | **615** | 90% | 79%   | 65%  |
| Unknown | **2** | <1% | 6%   | 21%  |

# 2022-2023 Reported Abuse

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| ALLEGED (Reported) Abuse  |
|  | **# New Children Served at CAC** | **% New Children Served at CAC** | **% in WV CACs\*** | **% National** |
| Sexual Abuse | **258** | **44%** | 50%   | 65%  |
| Physical Abuse | **265** | **45%** | 25%   | 21%  |
| Drug Endangerment | **200** | **34%** | 14%   | 3%  |
| Neglect | **194** | **33%** | 16%   | 8%  |
| Witness to Violence | **337** | **58%** | 18%   | 7%  |
| Commercial Sexual Exploitation\*\*\* | **4** | **1%** | 1%   | -  |
| Exposure to Pornography\*\*\* | **10** | **2%** | 3%   | -  |
| Depiction in Pornography\*\*\* | **7** | **1%** | 2%   | -  |
| Other | **37** | **6%** | 11%   | 8%  |
| \* Alleged abuse refers to the concerns/reports that brought a child to the CAC in the first place. Regardless of the severity, number of events, etc. an individual child is only counted once in each broad category. \*\* A child may have experienced more than one type of abuse, so this column is not meant to add up to 100%. For example, 70% of kids served by WV’s CACs last year were there due to allegations of sexual abuse, but they may also be included in the percentages of children served due to reports of neglect.\*\*\* These are not tracked separately from sexual abuse on the national level. |

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| DISCLOSED Abuse  |
|  | **# New Children Served at CAC** | **% New Children Served at CAC** | **% in WV CACs\*** |
| Sexual Abuse | **161** | **28%** | 29%   |
| Physical Abuse | **219** | **38%** | 22%   |
| Drug Endangerment | **143** | **25%** | 13%   |
| Neglect | **126** | **22%** | 11%   |
| Witness to Violence | **267** | **46%** | 22%   |
| Commercial Sexual Exploitation\*\*\* | **4** | **1%** | <1%   |
| Exposure to Pornography\*\*\* | **9** | **2%** | 3%   |
| Depiction in Pornography\*\*\* | **5** | **1%** | 2%   |
| Other | **32** | **5%** | 7%   |
| \* Disclosed abuse refers to what the child disclosed during the forensic interview, but does not include what may have been uncovered by the MDIT investigation. Regardless of the severity, number of events, etc. an individual child is only counted once in each broad category. Disclosed abuse is not tracked nationally.\*\* A child may have experienced more than one type of abuse, so this column is not meant to add up to 100%. For example, 70% of kids served by WV’s CACs last year were there due to allegations of sexual abuse, but they may also be included in the percentages of children served due to reports of neglect.\*\*\* These are not tracked separately from sexual abuse on the national level. |

In the 2022-2023 fiscal year, 78% of children who received a forensic interview at NORTH STAR CAC disclosed abuse compared to 66% statewide. 22% of children interviewed made no disclosure of abuse during the forensic interview (compared to 34% statewide). Even when a child does not disclose, the MDIT may still have good cause to investigate the reports that prompted the child’s services at the CAC. This breakdown is consistent with last fiscal year.

# 2022-2023 CAC Services Performed

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| Services Provided |
|  | **Number of New Children Served at CAC**  | **% New Children Served at CAC**  | **% New Children Served in WV CACs\*\*** | **% CAC-Served Children Nationally** |
| Forensic Interviews (Total) | **605** | **100%** | 94%  (Range = 34% - 100%)   | 90%  |
| Forensic Interviews On-site | **589** | **97%** | 93%   | 87%  |
| Forensic Interviews Off-site | **0** | **0%** | <1%   | 2%  |
| Extended Forensic Interviews | **16** | **3%** | 1%   | -  |
| Medical Referrals | **35** | **6%** | 5%  (Range = 0% - 19%)   | -  |
| Medical Evaluation/Treatment Received | **35** | **6%** | 10%  (Average w/ hospital-based CACs removed = 5.3%; Range = 0% - 17%)   | 30%  |
| Referral to Therapy/Counseling | **76** | **13%** | 35%  (Range =11% - 100%)   | 38%  |
| Therapy/Counseling Initiated | **58** | **10%** | 17%  (Range = 3% - 40%)   | 30%  |

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| Service Comparison by Year |
|  | **22-23** | **21-22** | **20-21** | **19-20** | **18-19** |
| Forensic Interviews | **605** | 597 | 614  | 532   | 348   |
| Medical Evaluation/Treatment | **35** | 33 | 10  | 7   | 12   |
| Therapy/Counseling Initiated | **58** | 67 | 119  | 100   | 174   |

# Service Caseloads

## Victim Advocacy

CACs report the number of alleged child victim clients and non-offending caregivers who received direct victim advocacy at the CAC during each 6-month reporting period. However, advocacy services can have tremendous impact on more than just the individuals received (such as the siblings of a child receiving direct services). Individuals are only counted once per reporting period, regardless of the number, type, or duration of advocacy services received.

On average, WV CACs provide advocacy to 287 individuals (Range = 36-1081 individuals) in a 6-month timeframe. The variation in advocacy caseloads between CACs is impacted by the number of counties officially served by that CAC, child population in the region, the number of CAC advocates on-staff to meet the needs of the children and families they serve, and the availability of and partnership with other local victim-serving agencies.

**Last year, NORTH STAR CAC provided advocacy services to an average of 384 children and caregivers every 6 months. The year before, the CAC’s caseload was 392.**

## Case Coordination Caseload

Every 6 months, CACs report the number of all non-duplicated cases for which the center provided case coordination. This includes only cases in which the CAC’s MDIT has conducted a case review where there has been a team discussion and information sharing about the case regarding the investigation, case status, and services needed by the child and family with recommendations communicated to appropriate parties for implementation; or the CAC’s representative has taken an active role in coordinating and/or managing the team’s recommendations for implementation.

**On average, WV CACs and their partner MDITs are actively working on 205 children’s cases (Range = 27-522) in a 6-month timeframe. The variation in MDIT caseloads between CACs is impacted by the number of counties officially served by that CAC, child population in the region, and local CAC/MDIT referral protocols and practices.**

**Last year, North Star CAC and its 5 partner MDITs provided active services and case management on an average of 384 individual children’s cases every 6 months. The year before, the CAC’s MDIT(s) caseload was 392.**

# 2022-2023 Criminal Justice Response

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| Cases Closed & Criminal Justice Response |
|  | **22-22** | **21-22** | **20-21** | **19-20** | **18-19** |
| Cases Closed for Investigation\* |
| Number of Cases Investigated, Concluded, & Closed | **14** | 34 | 7 | 166 | 234 |
| Unsubstantiated by Team Investigation | **8** | 13 | 1 | 37 | 204 |
| Unprosecutable | **5** | 18 | 6 | 2 | 21 |
| Accused Died | **0** | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Mentally Incompetent to Stand Trial | **0** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Prosecution Refuses to Extradite | **0** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Victim Unwilling to Proceed | **0** | 1 | 0 | 5 | 3 |
| Other | **1** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Criminal Justice Outcomes |
| Cases with Charges Filed | **44** | 26 | 13  | 166  | 23  |
| Cases Indicted | **15** | 3 | 0  | 37  | 13  |
| Convicted by Trial | **0** | 0 | 0  | 2  | 1  |
| Convicted by Plea | **6** | 5 | 1  | 1  | 1  |
| Acquitted | **0** | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0  |
| Dismissed | **0** | 1 | 3  | 0  | 5  |
| Juvenile Offender Petitions Filed | **3** | 8 | 18  | 5  | 0  |
| Juveniles Adjudicated | **2** | 2 | 2  | 0  | 2  |
| Other | **0** | 0 | 4  | 0  | 0  |

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| Criminal Convictions Rate Comparison Per 1,000 Children in Official Service Area Population\* |
|  | **Child Population in Official Service Area** | **# Forensic Interviews in 2022-23** | **# Cases Convicted in 2022-23** | **\* Conviction Rate per 1000 in Child Population** |
| STATE TOTAL | **326,851**  | **4,596**  | **263**  | **0.80**  |
| (NORTH STAR CAC) CAC  | **22,487**  | **605**  | 6  | 0.27  |
| \* Populations based on estimates of individuals under age 18 per county from US Census Data for all counties officially served by a particular CAC. Rates per 1,000 children in population of official service area. |

# 2022-2023 Outcome Measurement System (OMS)

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| # Surveys Collected |
|  | **# New Children Served** | **# Forensic Interviews** | **Initial Caregiver Surveys** |
| NORTH STAR CAC CAC  | 583  | 605  | 127  |

NOTES:

* All tables presented with the exclusion of those who answered “Not Applicable” for Caregiver surveys. This represents a more accurate breakdown of client satisfaction for those who receive a particular service.
* All percentages rounded to the nearest whole point.
* Percentages represent respondents who either Strongly Agree or Somewhat Agree with each statement.
* Comments are not edited for grammar, spelling, or clarity. The only edits to survey comments are to redact the names of children.

## Initial Caregiver Survey

The Initial Caregiver Survey measures child/family satisfaction with CAC services after their first visit, usually for the forensic interview, but before the child and/or family begins receiving services. From July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, North Star CAC has collected 127 of these surveys.

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| Initial Visit Caregiver Survey |
| Question | **CAC** | **WV** | **National** |
| I believe my child felt safe at the Center. | 98% | 99%    | 97%    |
| The Center staff made sure I understood the reason for our visit to the Center. | 100% | 100%    | 99%    |
| When I came to the Center, my child and I were greeted and received attention in a timely manner. | 100% | 100%    | 100%    |
| I was given information about the services and programs provided by the Center. | 98% | 99%    | 99%    |
| My questions were answered to my satisfaction. | 97% | 99%    | 98%    |
| The process for the interview of my child at the center was clearly explained to me. | 100% | 99%    | 99%    |
| I was given information about possible behaviors I might expect from my child in the days and weeks ahead. | 89% | 93%    | 91%    |
| The staff members at the Center were friendly and pleasant | 100% | 100%    | 100%    |
| After our visit at the Center, I feel I know what to expect with the situation facing my child and me. | 88% | 94%    | 94%    |
| The Center staff provided me with resources to support my child and respond to his or her needs in the days and weeks ahead. | 98% | 97%    | 98%    |

# CAC Budgets

## Income

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| CAC Income by Source |
| NORTH STAR CAC CAC’s current operating budget is $544,686. | CAC Amount | % Overall Funding for CAC | % Across all WV CACs | # of WV CACs with this type of Income |
| State Grants | **$141,156** | **26%** | 24%  | 21    |
| Federal Grants (VOCA, JJDP, NCA, etc.) | **$227,273** | **42%** | 43%  | 20    |
| County Funding | **0** | **0%** | 7%  | 8    |
| Municipal Funding | **0** | **0%** | <1%  | 2    |
| Foundations | **$76,000** | **14%** | 8%  | 17    |
| Crime Victims Comp. | **0** | **0%** | <1%  | 1    |
| Corporations | **0** | **0%** | 2%  | 4    |
| Donations/Fundraising | **0** | **0%** | 6%  | 13    |
| United Way | **$20,000** | **24** | 3%  | 9    |
| Organizations (Junior League, Rotary, etc.) | **0** | **0%** | <1%  | 2    |
| In-Kind | **0** | **0%** | <1%  | 4    |
| Earned Income | **0** | **0%** | 5%  | 3    |
| Other (example: training income) | **$80,257** | **15%** | 2%  | 7   |

## Expenses

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|  | North Star CAC Amount | % Overall Expenses for NORTH STAR CAC | % Across all WV CACs |
| Personnel  | **$419,576** | **77%** | 75%   |
| Contractual Services | **$34,880** | **6%** | 4%   |
| Training/ Travel | **$5,800** | **1%** | 3%   |
| Equipment | **0** | **0%** | <1%   |
| Operational Expenses  | **$84,430** | **16%** | 20%   |
| Other | **0** | **0%** | <1%   |