

# ECHO CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT (CAN)

## A NEW APPROACH TO SHARING KNOWLEDGE

In partnership with ECHO Colorado, Kempe is building innovative programs in the child maltreatment space that connect the best and brightest minds in the field with healthcare providers and their peers to share knowledge and experience for identifying and addressing child maltreatment in groundbreaking new ways.

ECHO CAN uses internet-connected video technology to provide better care for Colorado's children in all communities, including rural and underserved areas.

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### What Has Been Done?

- **Partnered with Child Advocacy Centers.** Kempe has hosted a learning series for multidisciplinary teams on child maltreatment topics to support their work in the most remote and rural parts of Colorado.
- **Hosted a learning series for primary care providers.** The learning series brought together physicians from across the state to refresh on best practices, learn new skills, and understand how to complete an effective evaluation of a child's needs based on the information and resources available.
- **Brought ECHO to the Child Welfare Training System.** Kempe is working with the Colorado Department of Human Services to launch an ECHO series for child welfare workers throughout the state.



- **Hosted a community of practice to discuss capacity building.** This ECHO brought together child abuse medical experts from across the country to share ideas and best practices to build local capacity for child abuse services throughout the country and potentially around the world.
- **Using ECHO to support other key prevention and intervention programs.** Kempe and the ECHO Colorado team are exploring the use of ECHO in supporting home visits for vulnerable families, and to enhance foster care health and improve child maltreatment support in Colorado's tribal communities.

## History

Launched in 2003, Project ECHO® (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes) makes specialized medical knowledge accessible wherever it is needed to save and improve people's lives. By putting local clinicians together with specialist teams at academic medical centers in weekly virtual clinics or teleECHO™ clinics, Project ECHO shares knowledge and expands treatment capacity.

ECHO Colorado, based on the Project ECHO model, has taken a broader and integrated approach and provides a platform for using the model for learning collaboratives among healthcare providers and professionals/practitioners in other fields, such as Kemp's ECHO CAN for addressing child abuse and neglect.

## ABOUT THE KEMPE FOUNDATION

The Kempe Foundation works to increase public awareness, engage in advocacy and provide and secure resources for the prevention and treatment of child abuse and neglect.

Each year, the organization plays an integral role ensuring continued state funding for programs that protect children and help heal those who have been abused or neglected. The Kempe Foundation also helps to educate legislators on the importance of these programs and how they improve the quality of life for caseworkers and families alike.

### IN FY2017, OUR WORK RESULTED IN:

**1,014**

PROFESSIONAL TRAININGS

provided to 8,088 individuals

**1,460**

CHILDREN SERVED

in 47 Colorado counties by 4 Kempe programs

**390**

CLINICAL CONSULTATIONS

provided by 4 Kempe programs in 10 states and 44 Colorado counties

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