

## **What is Child Advocacy Day?**

Child Advocacy Day is an annual event held in Jefferson City. This year, Child Advocacy Day is scheduled for April 2, 2019. It is an opportunity for child advocates to come together and show their support for children by meeting with legislators to discuss critical children's issues, participating in workshops, rallying with other advocates from around the state, and visiting exhibit booths to learn about new services and programs.

## **How do I register?**

To register, [you can visit the link here](#). All registration for this event is online.

## **Planning to bring a large group?**

We ask that all large group organizers contact us at [childadvocacyday@gmail.com](mailto:childadvocacyday@gmail.com), so that we can learn more about your group and better accommodate your participation.

## **Where is Child Advocacy Day held?**

The main events are held in Missouri's capital city in Jefferson City. Advocates meet at the Capitol Rotunda (which is in the middle of the building on the first floor) to register. Advocacy Workshops are held in the Truman Building located at 301 W. High Street (across the street from the Capitol Building). The rally and meetings with legislators occurs at the Capitol Building located at 201 W. Capitol Avenue.

## **What can I do at Child Advocacy Day?**

The goal of Child Advocacy Day is for every attendee to meet and speak with your Senator and/or Representative about issues that affect children and advocate for policies that uplift children and their families. Before their meetings, attendees are able to attend a pre-advocacy day webinar to learn tips for advocacy and hot topics for the day. There will also be workshops at CAD to educate attendees on the advocacy process and current policy issues affecting children and families. Attendees can also visit with other organizations at the exhibits to network with children's services professionals and advocates throughout Missouri.

## **What can I do to prepare for Child Advocacy Day?**

It is highly recommended that you call your Senator or Representative in advance to make a 15-minute appointment with him/her on Child Advocacy Day. You can find out who your legislators are by checking the Missouri State Home Page on the web at [MO Rep Lookup](#). Although appointments aren't always honored depending on the business of the day, it is good to let your legislators know you are coming. You can also prepare by following our Facebook and Twitter accounts for more information about important pending legislation.

## **Where do I get in the building?**

It is most convenient for Child Advocacy Day participants to enter the Capitol through its front doors located behind the large set of outdoor steps/lawn area. Be advised that you will pass through a metal detector on your way into the building.