



Note From the Executive Director

One of our mission-critical roles in the community is to provide safety to the children we serve, and in this time that responsibility extends beyond keeping them safe from abuse alone. Despite the fact that children generally are not one of the populations most vulnerable to COVID-19, we also know that the single most critical protective factor aiding a child's recovery from trauma is the caregiver and family supports they have in place. Kids may recover quickly, but their parents, grandparents, and neighbors may not. Serving our kids means protecting their families.

We do not need to take an all-or-nothing approach in our response to this crisis. SafeSpot has considered which personnel are essential and non-essential, decided which events might trigger different levels of precautions, and took into account our local situation. The following outlines our response to the current situation at hand in more detail.

As of March 17th:

- Limited staff will be available for emergent forensic interviews and the interview request process has not changed.
- Most other staff members will be working from home.
- Other in-person events or training sessions scheduled for April or May are cancelled or are under review.
- Due to the rapidly changing COVID-19 situation, the above information may also change frequently.

Thank you for your continued support in this chaotic time!

Michele Thames
Executive Director

[CDC COVID-19 Webpage](#)

Calendar Changes & Cancellations

[Schedule of April Events](#)



NEW DATE!

**2020 Champions for Children
Tournament & Dinner**

Monday, October 26th - Become a
Champion by Being a Sponsor, Player,



NEW DATE!

"Let's Get Social" for SafeSpot

Saturday, June 20th

*Punch Bowl Social
4238 Wilson Blvd, Arlington*

Due to the COVID-19 virus, the Junior Board is postponing the "Let's Get Social" event to June

or Dinner Guest!

You all know the drill...1 in 10 children will be sexually assaulted by the age of 18, one child every eight minutes is sexually abused, and abuse commonly begins by the age of three. Become a Champion for Children today! Play golf, play tennis or simply join us for cocktails and dinner - the choice is yours! We promise lots of fun no matter what Champion role you choose!



[More Detail & Registration](#)

20th. Please join us then at Punch Bowl Social in Arlington for an evening of fun and games to raise money for SafeSpot. You can either be a sponsor at the event or purchase a ticket to attend. Tickets include dinner, 2 drink tickets and access to games. Please click on our image below for more detail and ticket/sponsorship purchasing.



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OUR MISSION:

The mission of SafeSpot Children's Advocacy Center of Fairfax County is to provide a child-friendly, culturally sensitive environment that promotes the safety and well-being of child victims of abuse while facilitating a comprehensive, multi-disciplinary team approach to the intervention, investigation, prosecution and treatment of sexual abuse and severe physical abuse.

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