



KRISTI HOUSE

Children's Advocacy Center



ABOUT KRISTI HOUSE:

- Kristi House is a Child Advocacy Center, serving child victims of trauma and abuse, particularly sexual abuse and child sex trafficking, for 25 years
- Kristi House provides training to children, adults and professionals on trauma-related topics, including training mental health clinicians on evidence-based treatment

Kristi House's *Proyecto Brazos Abiertos* Program:

- Free evidence-based trauma therapy for children in licensed shelters or post-release to sponsor-families
- Provided through a grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- Comprehensive trauma assessment completed at intake, including standardized assessments
- Utilizing **Culturally-Modified Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CM-TF-CBT)**, developed for use with various cultures
- Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT) is the most well-supported and effective treatment for children who have been abused or traumatized
- Treatment protocol is designed to be relatively short in duration (12-16 session average)
- TF-CBT helps children and caregivers process traumatic events and learn skills to promote emotional and behavioral stability
- Criteria for UAC Program:
 - Minors designated as Unaccompanied Alien Children (UAC)
 - Minors ages 3 to 17
 - Experienced a traumatic event
 - Symptoms related to the trauma such as depression, anxiety, behavioral problems, high-risk behaviors, PTSD, etc.
 - Living in Miami-Dade County
- If you have an eligible child, please complete Kristi House UAC Referral Form or call (305) 547-6800 or visit www.kristihouse.org/referrals