Attachment C:

PHYSICAL AND BEHAVIORAL INDICATIONS OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

Type of CA/N	Physical Indicators	Behavioral Indicators
CA/N	PHYSICAL ABUSE Unexplained Bruises and Welts: On face, lips, mouth On torso, back, buttocks, thighs In various stages of healing Clustered, forming regular patterns Reflecting shape of article used to inflict (electrical cord, belt buckle) On several different surface area Regularly appear after absence, weekend or vacation Unexplained Burns: Cigar, cigarette burns, especially on soles, palms, back or buttocks Immersion burns (sock-like, glove-like, doughnut shaped on buttocks or genitalia) Patterned like electric burner, iron, etc. Rope burns on arms, legs, neck or torso Unexplained Fractures: To skull, nose, facial structure In various stages of healing Multiple or spiral fractures Unexplained Lacerations or Abrasions: To mouth, lips, gums, eyes To external genitalia	 Wary of adult contact Apprehensive when other children cry Behavioral Extremes: Aggressiveness, or withdrawal Frightened of parents Afraid of to home Reports injury by parents Exhibits anxiety about normal activities, i. e. napping
•	PHYSICAL NEGLECT Consistent hunger, poor hygiene, inappropriate dress Consistent lack of supervision, especially in dangerous activities or long periods Unattended physical problems or medical needs Abandonment	 Begging, stealing food Constant fatigue, listlessness or falling asleep States there is no caretaker at home
•	SEXUAL ABUSE Difficulty in walking or sitting torn, stained or bloody underclothing Pain or itching in genital area Bruises or bleeding in external genitalia, vaginal or anal areas Venereal disease EMOTIONAL MALTREATMENT	 Unwilling to participate in certain physical activities Withdrawal, fantasy, or unusually infantile behavior Bizarre, sophisticated, or unusual sexual behavior or knowledge Poor peer relationships Reports sexual assault by caretaker habit disorders (sucking bitting, rocking, etc)
•	Speech disorders Lags in physical development Failure-to-thrive	 conduct disorders (antisocial, destructive, etc.) Neurotic traits (sleep disorders, inhibition of play) Psychoneurotic reactions (hysteria, obsession, compulsion, phobias, hyprochondria) Behavior extremes: compliant, pass aggressive, demanding Overly adaptive behavior: inappropriately adult, infant Developmental lags: mental and/or emotional