



## Public Children Services Association of Ohio

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### MEMORANDUM

TO: THE PCSA EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS  
FROM: THE PCSAO SAFETY COMMITTEE  
SUBJECT: 1st QUARTER 2003 SAFETY REPORT  
DATE: APRIL 20, 2003

The Safety Committee hopes that you, your staff and board; birth, foster, adoptive parents and volunteers are well and enjoying the summer. We thank the counties that submitted the Worker Safety Incident form regardless of whether they experienced a Worker Safety Incident or not. There were worker safety infractions in all six CPOE cohort groups during the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2003.

We are attaching the 2003 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER WORKER SAFETY INCIDENT REPORT.

We received data from 54 of our 88 counties - GREAT RESPONSE rate! However, if a county chooses not to respond, the Committee has no way of knowing if it was because there was no incident or there was an incident but the county chose not to submit the form. **Submitting the form regardless of whether an incident occurred assists the Committee in reporting accurate information to the PCSAO membership.**

*If you have identified a Point of Contact but were unable to submit the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter data up until now, you can still do so. If no incidents occurred simply say so on the form and submit it with your county name. Please fax to the attention of Stacey A. Saunders at PCSAO: (614) 228-5150.*

We hope this information is helpful in planning strategies to increase the likelihood that staff are safe in the field and at your agency. Thank you for your participation.

Attachment



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### **Public Children Services Association of Ohio CHILD WELFARE WORKER SAFETY - CRITICAL INCIDENT REPORTING**

#### **54 COUNTIES THAT REPORTED FOR THE 1<sup>st</sup> QUARTER 2003**

Adams	Ashtabula	Athens	Auglaize
Belmont	Carroll	Clark	Clermont
Columbiana	Coshocton	Cuyahoga	Defiance
Delaware	Erie	Fayette	Franklin
Fulton	Gallia	Greene	Guernsey
Henry	Highland	Hocking	Holmes
Huron	Licking	Lorain	Lucas
Mahoning	Marion	Medina	Meigs
Mercer	Morrow	Montgomery	Muskingum
Noble	Paulding	Perry	Pickaway
Pike	Putnam	Richland	Ross
Sandusky	Scioto	Stark	Summit
Trumbull	Tuscarawas	Washington	Wayne
Williams	Van Wert		

**Public Children Services Association of Ohio**  
**CHILD WELFARE WORKER SAFETY - CRITICAL INCIDENT FORM**

**Agency Statewide Data, PCSAO Summary**

**Number of Agencies that Reported** 54

**Agencies that Reported Incidents** 25

Date of Report: 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2003 Summary

**Agencies that Reported No Incidents** 29

**Incident Description** (check all that apply)

56 Verbal Aggression (w/ sense of danger)  
24 Verbal / Written Threats of Harm  
5 Personal / Agency Property Damage  
1 Sexual Harassment  
2 Stalked  
10 Physical Assaults - not injured  
2 Physical Assault - Injured  
3 Use of Weapon  
0 Other

**Incident "Trigger"**

22 Visit as part of C/AN investigation  
25 Removal of Children  
17 Routine Home Visit  
9 Custody Discussion, Pending Action  
7 Visitation (during weekly visit)  
17 Other

**Alleged Offender**

58 Client - Adults  
1 Client - Paramour  
13 Child/Youth  
0 Family Members  
6 Other

**Post Incident Responses** (all that apply)

4 Victim Received Medical Attention  
29 Law Enforcement Contacted (agency and victim's home jurisdictions)  
71 Incident Reported to Agency  
10 Employee Assistance Offered/Provided  
11 Warning Letter Issued  
4 Incoming Phone Calls to Victim Taped  
5 Offender Picture Posted w/in Agency for Security Purposes  
14 Law Enforcement Intervention  
8 Charges Filed Against Alleged Offender  
6 Offender Arrested  
0 Training offered - Result of Incident  
2 Other

**Location of Incident**

25 Client Home  
43 Agency  
7 Provider Agency  
16 Phone / Email  
0 Court  
0 Victim's Home  
6 Other

**Agencies That Reported a Safety Incident had Occurred during the 1st Quarter of 2003**

<b><u>SMALL COUNTRIES</u></b>	<b><u>MEDIUM-SMALL COUNTRIES</u></b>	<b><u>MEDIUM COUNTRIES</u></b>	<b><u>LARGE</u></b>	<b><u>METROS</u></b>	<b><u>MAJOR METROS</u></b>
-Adams	-Fulton	-Belmont	-Ashtabula	-Lucas	-Cuyahoga
-Coshocton		-Marion	-Clark	-Montgomery	-Franklin
-Fayette		-Pickaway	-Clermont	-Stark	
-Meigs		-Ross	-Delaware	-Summit	
-Paulding		-Scioto	-Greene		
			-Licking		
			-Richland		
			-Wayne		