

Sammi Green – Module #1 Background Information Handout

CHARACTERS

- **Child Protection Services (CPS) Investigator**
- **CPS Supervisor**
- **Child Abuse Detective**
- **Family Court Representative**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This case involves a 9 year old girl, Samara (Sammi) Green, whose comments during a counseling session prompted her therapist to make a mandated reporting call for suspected sexual abuse.

SIMULATION

LOCATION: Child Protection Services Offices

Volunteers playing roles of available characters (see above) have received profiles with character specific information about the scenario and their character's potential reactions. However, they do not have any information about the other characters.

- **CPS Investigator** will initiate the simulation interaction with Supervisor, by sharing the hotline report and their concerns (re: first case of this severity) with his/her supervisor.
- **CPS Supervisor** shares/reviews steps of the Child Advocacy Center Model, and emphasizes getting background information as the initial step.
- **CPS Investigator** calls **Child Detective (CD)** and **Family Court (FCR)**, seeking any background detail on case, as well as checks CPS internal records.
- Each MDT professional (first CD, then FCR) calls back and shares their documents as further background for the initiation of this investigation.

From this background information, participants then draft an Investigation and Interview plan.