



Gerena & Associates ***SAFE Family Strengthening Program***

The SAFE Program is a family-based, attachment-focused family-strengthening program that's ultimate goal is to prevent the re-victimization of children in the care of their parents/caregivers and to ensure that the treatment needs of the family have been met. The SAFE program provides intensive therapeutic services, including in-home appointments as needed, and case management in order to foster the immediate and long-term protection of the children's permanency, safety, and well-being. Throughout treatment, therapists will assist in the identification of the family's strengths in order to promote the long-term maintenance of favorable changes.

In addition to individual services for the child, family therapy, parent support/ education groups, and child groups will be provided. Each child and family's treatment will incorporate the development of a safety plan, outlining interventions and procedures, upon the completion of the initial assessment. Funding for this program is provided by the Children's Service Council of Broward County.



Who can participate?

Families must reside in Broward County and be referred by Broward Sheriff's Office-Child Protection Investigation Services, the Broward County State Attorney's Office, ChildNet, the Florida Department of Children and Families, self-referral, court, school social workers, or other community agencies. All families participating in our program must have at least 1 child, between the ages of 6 to 18 years of age, engaging in sexual behavior problems. The child must be currently residing in the home and the family must meet 3 risk factors. Families must voluntarily accept our services. **Services are provided in English, Spanish, and Creole.**



What's the fee?

Services are provided occurring to Sliding Scale Fee. No one will be denied services for inability or failure to pay with proper documentation/ justification. For families who do not qualify for free services, a nominal fee of \$5 to \$15 per service will be offered. Funding for this program is provided by the Children's Service Council of Broward County.



How can I obtain more information?

Please contact the program director, Sara Salter, Ph.D., by phone at 954-340-0560 or via email at ssalter@gerena-associates.com