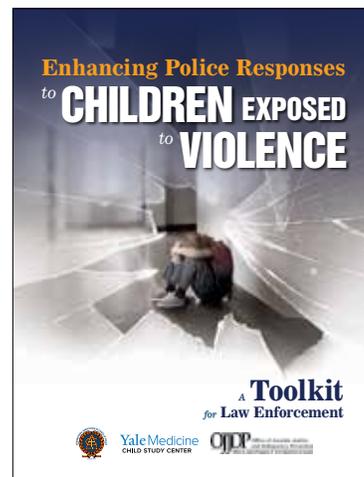


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Police officers are often the first responders to incidents that pose threats to the safety and well-being of children and families. This new toolkit provides practical information and resources to assist law enforcement agencies in building or enhancing effective operational responses to children exposed to violence.



Toolkit resources include:

Background Material

- A Law Enforcement Executive's Brief on Children Exposed to Violence
- The Officer's Role in Responding to Traumatized Children

Operational Protocols

- On-Scene Acute Protocol for Children Exposed to Violence
- Protocol for Responding to the Needs of Children at Scenes of Domestic Violence
- Principles and Practices of Death Notification to Children

Assessment Tool

- Organizational Self-Assessment and Action Planning Tool

Operational Tools

- Reactions That Police May Observe From Children and Youth
- What Traumatic Stress Reactions May Look Like On Scene
- Effective Police Responses to Traumatic Stress in Children of Different Ages
- Commonly Asked Questions From Children and Example Police Responses
- Common Issues for Caregivers and Police Responses
- What To Do When Your Child Is Exposed to Violence (Brochure)
- Teaching the Tactical Breathing Technique to Children and Parents

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