

Collecting DNA Samples

CHEEK SWAB: You must use a clean new cotton swab. Assure your child it will not hurt and have him/her open his/her mouth. Gently rub the cotton swab on the inside of your child's cheek. Remove the swab and place it on a clean piece of paper where no one can breathe or cough on it. Do not allow anyone to touch the end of the swab as it will contaminate the sample. Once the swab is dry, place it in a clean new plastic baggie and push it flat to remove extra air. Cover the baggie with foil if you plan on keeping it in your freezer and clearly mark with your child's name and date. DNA sample can be kept at room temperature in a safe location, if you choose to do so.

HAIR SAMPLE: This method involves a momentary touch for your child so prepare him/her. Pull out a couple of strands from the base of the hair shaft. It is very important to get the root for the DNA properties. Check your child's hair brush to see if any strands have the root on them. Put the hair sample in a plastic baggie and store in a safe location. Mark with your child's name and date.

***The MVACA pledge:
"I do solemnly swear
that I will support and
defend the right of all
children
to grow up safe and
unafraid.
So help me God."***



Military Veterans Against Child Abuse™ (MVACA)

*P. O. Box 761297
San Antonio, TX 78245
210.675.8231
www.mvacaunited.org
Email: mvacaunited@gmail.com*



Child Safety Kit

A Child Safety Kit is an important tool for parents and law enforcement to use when trying to locate a missing child. Fill out the information and affix a recent picture of your little one. Please keep the kit in a safe place and update the information and picture on a yearly basis.

MVACA is United Against Child Abuse

Military Veterans Against Child Abuse™ (MVACA) is honored to be a part of a growing tide of Veterans, their supporters and many communities, who have taken a pledge to stand united against child abuse and neglect of any kind. Through educational materials and seminars, we are educating children as young as two years old about the basics of staying safe, which in turn empowers them to make smart choices. All children deserve to grow up safe and unafraid and with your support - we stand ready to educate and defend all children.

Our Vision - Our vision is a world where children feel safe and unafraid because they have been given the information and tools to make smart and empowered choices.

Our Mission - Military Veterans Against Child Abuse™ is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization whose mission is to educate children, parents, child care providers, teachers and the community as a whole about child safety and child abuse prevention through educational material, seminars and advocacy.

Child Information Profile

Name: _____

Nickname: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Male/Female (circle one)

Height/Weight: _____

Hair Color: _____

Eye Color: _____

Marks: _____

Blood Type: _____

Known Allergies: _____

Pediatrician: _____

Pediatrician Number: _____

Attach a Recent Photo of Your Child Here

Fingerprint card

Parents can buy an inkless fingerprint ink pad from your local office supply store. When taking a child's fingerprints, make sure their hands are freshly washed or clean their fingertips with an alcohol based solution. Thoroughly dry their hands. Then, take one finger at a time and slowly roll each corresponding finger from left to right in the space provided taking care not to smudge the print. We recommend that you practice on another sheet before using the fingerprint card.