



**The Center for the Protection of Children's rights Foundation** is a Thai NGO which is concerned primarily with preventing and confronting the physical and sexual abuse, exploitation and neglect of children in Thailand, was established in 1981. Formerly under the Foundation for Children, CPRC registered as an independent foundation in 1996. CPRC's philosophy is that all children have the right to be safe and happy, and is closely aligned with the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child which states that all children and youths should be recognized as individuals with fundamental rights to life, physical integrity and freedom.

**OBJECTIVES**

- ▲ To advocate for the promotion and protection of children's rights in agreement with the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC)
- ▲ To provide protection and assistance to children and young people whose rights have been violated, in accordance with the CRC

- ▲ **To examine the issues concerning children and young people then** seek and propose methods which give greater protection of children's rights, in accordance with the CRC
- ▲ To foster greater cooperation amongst organizations concerned with children's right, both government and non government, in the promotion and protection of children's rights

**Target Groups**

- Child Abuse
- Child Exploitation

**Structure of CPRC**

CPRC's central office is located in Bangkok. In order to implement the project aims given below in the most efficient way, the core CPRC staff based in the central office are divided along the line of teams with specific areas of responsibility through its 6 teams.

**Child and Family Services Unit**

**1. Child's Rights Protection**

**Team** is to provide efficient and effective protection for child abuse cases by using the legal procedure and social welfare in order to guarantee that children safe from being re-abused by the offender, and any other people, and provide necessary welfare and protection for their families under the cooperation of the Multidisciplinary Team consisting of the professionals working in the medical, psychological, social work and law fields.

**2. Assessment Unit and**

**Rehabilitation Unit** is responsible for the providing crisis intervention to children, conducting the bio-psycho-social assessment and daily running all

therapeutic healing programs and rehabilitation activities at the 3 shelters. Lastly conducting preparation for children in social reintegration to family and society.

**Children and Social Development Unit**

Is to work towards the establishment of most efficient and effective forms of child protection in the society by lobbying and convincing concerned people and organizations on the issue and on the positive results for having the most appropriate child protection mechanism. It focuses on raising awareness of concerned people whether in family, school and community. Additionally, is also responsible for building multi-disciplinary co-operation and developing the CPRC professional of pilot projects in 9 provinces.

**International Relations Unit**

In coordination with the international NGOs in concerned issues, building up child protection network in the Mekong sub region, sharing updated information with them and providing supports and assistance as partners.

**Public Relations and Fund Raising Unit**

Is responsible for propagating activities and accomplishments of the foundation through mass media,

website and raising the funding in local and international level.

**Organization Development Unit**

Is responsible for administration and organizing staff development and training;

**Financial & Accounting Team**

Is responsible for accounting, cash flow and clerical administration.

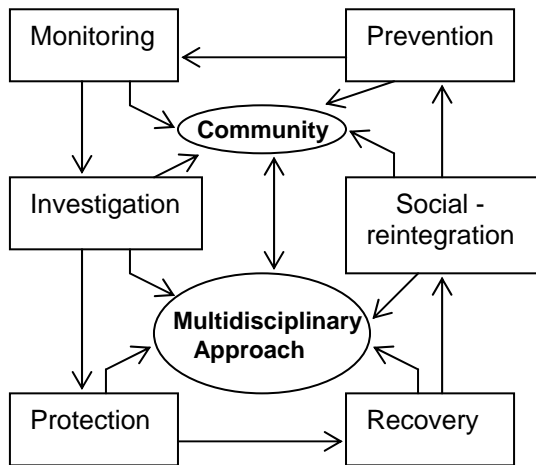
**CPRC uses the CRC as its basis for**

- ✘ Providing protection and direct services to children and young people up to the age of eighteen years
- ✘ Lobbying the government to honor those international instruments designed to protect children such as the CPC
- ✘ Advocating for the reform of child protection legislation and improving the implementation of existing laws

**For CPRC Shelters**

CPRC runs three rehabilitation homes for children and young people who have been rescued or released from situations of abuse. Two of the shelters, known as Ban Oun Rak 1,2 and the other shelter, Ban Rek Rub are situated in Bangkok.

## The child protection process



### 1. Monitoring network

By build up the monitoring network in society due to mostly cases victims of child abuse had been tormented for a long period of time without being exposed or rescued. Under this most unfavorable conditions, it is most urgent to initiate and build up some forms or mechanism for close monitoring the child abuse situation or it may be called a form of **Child Abuse Watch on Regular Basis**. Meanwhile, efforts must be made to conscientious greater public awareness in school, community, hospital and practitioners that are concerned to monitor who are vulnerable to all forms of abused. By using the mechanism in monitoring network; 1. The tools to identify the minimum **standards for child raring 0-18 years old**, covering physical, developmental, mental, and social aspects 2. Index to measure risk factors for the violation of a child's rights covering medical, legal, and social welfare aspects 3. Sign of Abuse and Neglect.

### 2. Investigation (Fact finding)

After receiving about suspected cases of child abuse, exploitation, neglect and other forms of rights violation through reports by concerned members of the public such as

staffs of other NGOs, social workers, doctors, teachers, neighbors, or members of the child's family. According to our extensive network areas, so we use multi-agency network including local social worker to go forward in primary time. Next step is identification of the child victims and damage that is caused, which is evidence. The investigation will start from children with all other evidences collected. They need to have information on children's physical, psychological and social status and needs to involve people from different fields such as pediatricians, psychiatrists, forensic doctors, social workers, and lawyers. The information will be used to evaluate children and families.

### 3. Child Protection

After investigation and information assessment, the protection process will be used through social work and legal process, which focuses on cooperation with people who involve with the case. The primary information need to be investigated and assessed to make protection plan by the officer will separate victims of child abuses from vulnerable conditions and situation. After collecting information on the physical, mental and social aspects of a child victim, we will start assessment by launching case conference with other related persons, such as a psychiatrist, medical person, social worker and lawyer. There will be conferences and discussions to clearly assess the problem, which bring up planning in further protection.

### 4. Recovery and Treatment

By examine children's primary psychological condition or even made an appointment with the psychologist at a certain required time and take children and family to see the psychiatrist. Then the psychiatrist will make a treatment plan.

Physical Status While in the process of finding evidence to assess the damage to and service requirements of the children, the Emergency Home still needed to give immediate treatment to the children such as general health problems; chronic colds,

chronic inflammation of noses, fractured bones, wounds and bruises from being physically abused or neglected and sexually transmitted disease.

Five Developmental Stages The rehabilitation activity in physical problems, intelligence, emotional and mental problems, family and social development

### 5. Social Reintegration

All the children had to go through processes of treatment and assessment by multidisciplinary professionals in such a way that the children and families would be prepared with regard to their physical, mental and social readiness. Also there had to be preparation for the communities, schools and organizations involved in order securing the children's safe. There had to be cooperation with the concerned legal, medical and social work professionals in order to have activities carried on continuously. These activities included skills in childcare; problem handling; the roles and responsibilities of the parents, guardians, and caretakers of the formerly abused children; economic support; advising on the matters.

### 6. Prevention

Primary Prevention The target groups of primary prevention are every children in the society. The primary prevention approach is to push the campaign and support the campaign with information, training and media production.

Secondary Prevention The target groups of secondary prevention are children that are at risk of being victims of any abusive situation. Children at risk of child abuse need to be protected. In one case where their mother physically abused a child, even though the child could be helped to move elsewhere, there were other children in the family at risk of similar abuse. If the abuser has not changed the behavior, it is necessary to protect the children by follow up, collect information and evaluate the danger in

having the child return home. We also cooperate with public welfare schools and others in their community.

Tertiary Prevention The target groups of tertiary prevention are abusers from repeating their abuses. This type of prevention was a new topic and a difficult one because the rehabilitation of abusers in complicated, especially for those who are adults, need rehabilitation by psychiatrists, prosecution and using community controlling.

Prevention level 4 The target groups are to protect the children who were the victims of abusive situation from being abusers in the future

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