

## CHILD ADVOCACY



CHILD ADVOCACY CENTERS Digital Recording of Child Forensic Interviews was found to enhance the ability of prosecutors to file appropriate charges. The ability to see the demeanor and facial expression of the child was helpful in obtaining timely prosecutions.

**iRecord is a Digital Video**

**Recording and Management System for interview rooms.**



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One such center is **Chaucie's Place, Child Advocacy Center in Hamilton County Indiana**

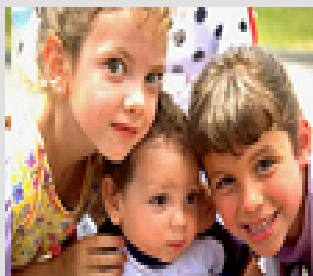
Who was Chaucie?

Chaucie Quillen was born on September 3, 1974. Her father had been sexually abusing her since she was 11 years of age.

Chaucie found the courage to report her abuse when she was 18. Her father was prosecuted, but after a two-week trial the jury was unable to reach a unanimous verdict. The case was subsequently resolved through plea negotiations and Chaucie's father received a sentence on charges of sexual battery..



The strain of her abuse by her father and the inability of the legal system to adequately address her case took its toll and on December 26, 1995 Chaucie took her own life. Everyone involved in Chaucie's case wondered what could have been done differently and how to prevent this outcome from happening to other victims of abuse in Hamilton County.



### FROM THE CHILD'S VIEW

From the child (victim) standpoint, if we have a high quality interview, it may help our case be resolved without having that child come into court and testify and go through the process all over again. In addition, it adds to the credibility of the case and documents exactly how the child disclosed, as well as the types of interview questions that were used.