WVCAN State Public Policy Initiative Suggestion

Per WVCAN's Member Legislative Agreement, WVCAN will only develop legislation that directly pertains to Child Advocacy Centers, child abuse investigations, prosecution, treatment, prevention of child abuse, or the functioning of multidisciplinary investigative or treatment teams. In legislation pertaining to above topics, the following evaluative guides will be utilized in decisions regarding WVCAN policy development:

1. New initiatives should coordinate with existing programs and systems to maximize use of funds and personnel
2. Initiatives should enhance existing partnerships, not undermine those partnerships
3. Initiatives should provide positive outcomes for child victims of abuse in WV and/or the full network of Child Advocacy Centers (rather than a specific location)

If you have a policy initiative that you would like for WVCAN to develop and pursue, please complete the following form and a staff member from WVCAN will be in touch with you to discuss further.

Name:
CAC:
Title:
Contact email/phone number:

1. Initiative Suggestion:

2. What problem or anticipated problem is the proposed legislation intended to address?

3. If known and applicable, please list the affected state code section or administrative rule (WVDE, DHHR, etc.):

4. Other than CACs and WVCAN, what groups would you expect to support the proposed legislation? If there are any groups that you expect would oppose the legislation, please identify them.