SAFE-CARE Provider Mentorship Requirements

All SAFE-CARE providers are required by 334.950 RSMo. to participate in mentorship or peer review.

SAFE-CARE providers will be assigned a mentor by the SAFE-CARE program.

SAFE-CARE providers may demonstrate participation in mentorship or peer review by one of the following methods:

- Uploading cases to the SAFE-CARE Quality Improvement System (QIS) and reviewing them with the provider’s mentor.
- Engaging in other mentoring or peer review practices mutually agreed upon by the provider and the mentor (secure email, phone calls, etc).
- Other peer review processes that have been submitted to and approved by the SAFE-CARE program (e.g. internal peer review at a children’s hospital).

The SAFE-CARE program will monitor compliance with these requirements by reviewing the provider’s QIS submissions and/or verifying participation with the provider’s designated SAFE-CARE mentor or Midwest Regional Child Advocacy Center.

All new providers should have their first 100 cases reviewed. Providers are highly encouraged to have all positive cases peer-reviewed.

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