

**DCDD** Showcase Presentation:  
Awareness & Prevention of Abuse/Neglect as  
Experienced by Children w/ Disabilities



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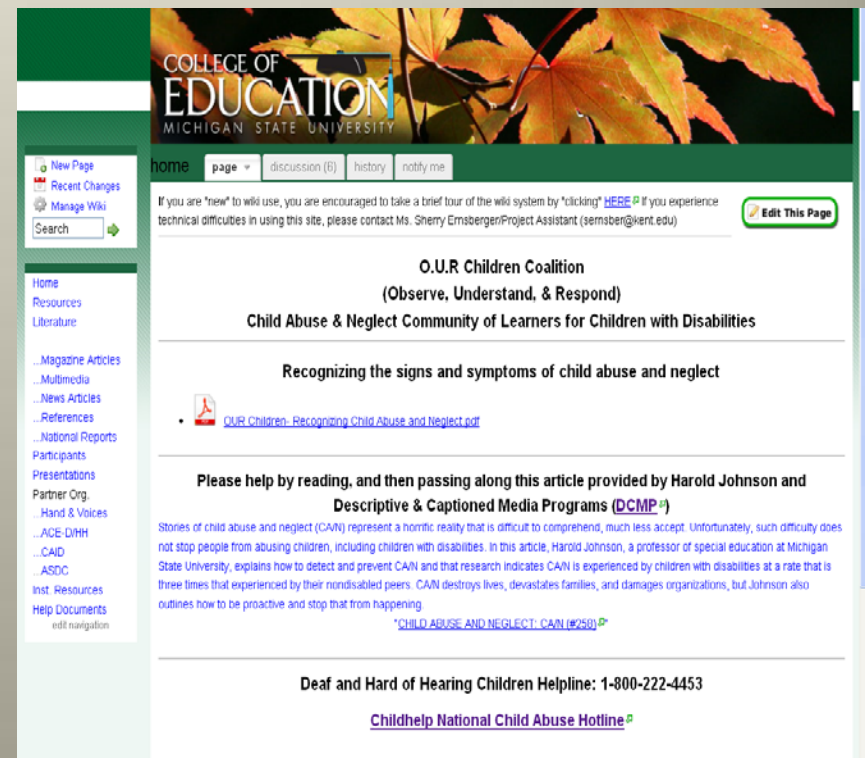
<http://deafed-childabuse-neglect-col.wiki.educ.msu.edu/Presentations>

At the conclusion of this presentation I am going to challenge **you** to do four things.

1. Break the “taboo,” have a conversation with a colleague about the abuse and neglect experienced by children with disabilities.
2. Observe your students for any signs of abuse or neglect and call the Childhelp “Hotline,” i.e., 1-800-4-A-Child, if you suspect one of your students may be experiencing maltreatment.
3. Ask your employer and CEC to provide you with more training and support so that you can protect your students from experiencing abuse and neglect.
4. Join the CEC Division for Communicative Disabilities & Deafness (DCDD) ([www.dcdd.us/](http://www.dcdd.us/)) in a collaborative effort to enhance initial and ongoing professional development to prevent the abuse and neglect of children with disabilities.

# Where can you go to learn how to prevent, recognize, report, and respond to abuse and neglect as experienced by children with disabilities?

- Child Abuse & Neglect Community of Learners for Children with Disabilities



The screenshot shows a Wiki page from Michigan State University. The header includes the College of Education logo and navigation links like 'home', 'page', 'discussion (6)', 'history', and 'notify me'. A sidebar on the left lists various categories such as 'Magazine Articles', 'Multimedia', 'News Articles', 'References', 'National Reports', 'Participants', 'Presentations', 'Partner Org.', 'Hand & Voices', 'ACE-DIHH', 'CAID', 'ASDC', 'inst Resources', and 'Help Documents'. The main content area features the title 'O.U.R Children Coalition (Observe, Understand, & Respond) Child Abuse & Neglect Community of Learners for Children with Disabilities' and a sub-heading 'Recognizing the signs and symptoms of child abuse and neglect'. A list of links includes 'OUR Children - Recognizing Child Abuse and Neglect.pdf'. Below this, there is a call to action: 'Please help by reading, and then passing along this article provided by Harold Johnson and Descriptive & Captioned Media Programs (DCMP)'. A paragraph of text follows, discussing the impact of child abuse and neglect (CAN) on children with disabilities. At the bottom, contact information is provided: 'Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children Helpline: 1-800-222-4453' and 'Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline'.

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# Thank You

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