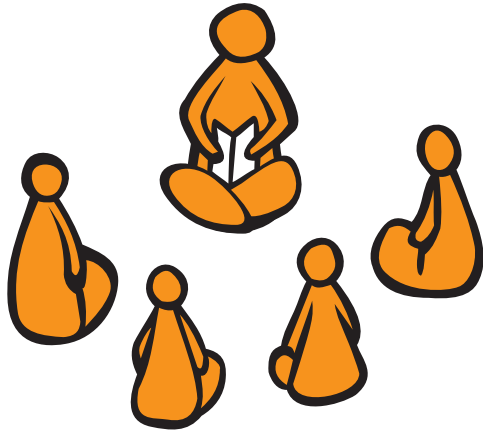
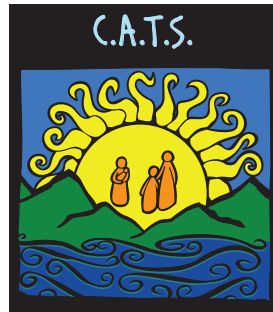


C.A.T.S. can
benefit your
family by...



- **Helping** to reduce and manage the stressors in a family's life.
- **Supporting** positive change and growth in children, youth and families.
- **Promoting** positive parent-child interaction.
- **Assisting** parents to support their children through difficult times.
- **Educating** parents on the impact of maltreatment on children.



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What is C.A.T.S.?

Child Abuse Treatment Services (C.A.T.S.) provide confidential counselling services to children, youth, and their families who have experienced child maltreatment.

Child maltreatment includes sexual abuse, emotional abuse, physical abuse, neglect and witness to family violence.

Counsellors also provide workshops and information sessions to educate and raise awareness about the impact and prevention of child maltreatment.

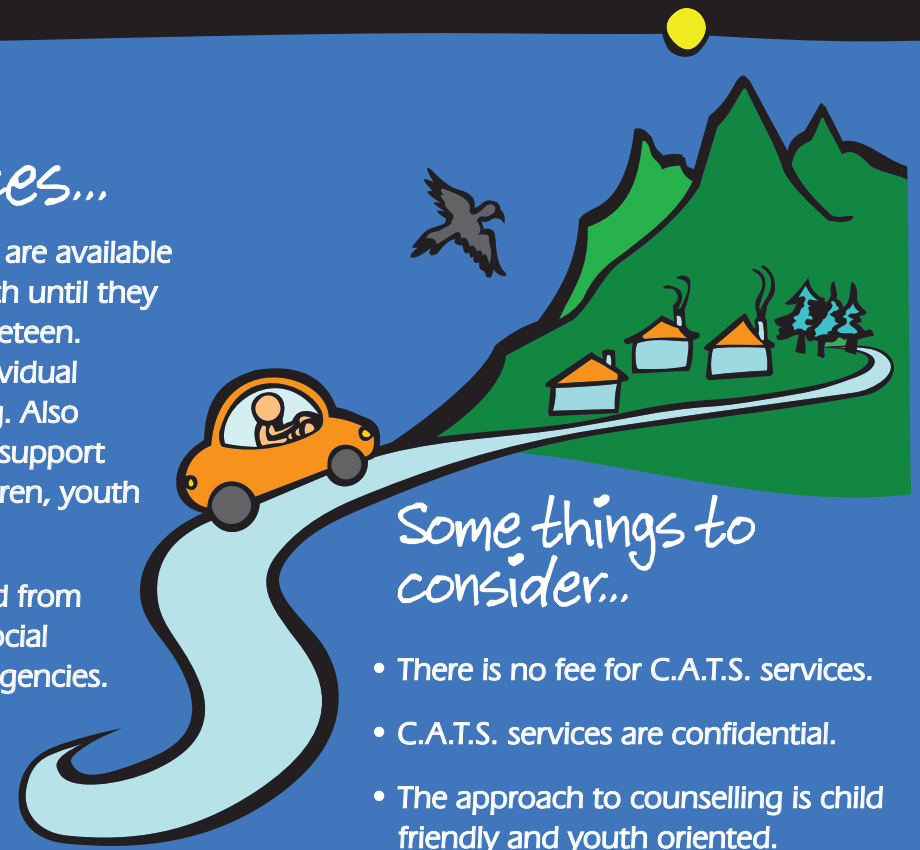
Services are provided in Whitehorse and C.A.T.S. counsellors travel to Yukon communities on a regular basis.

Our Services...

Counselling services are available to children and youth until they reach the age of nineteen. Services include individual or family counselling. Also offered is parenting support and groups for children, youth and parents.

Referrals are received from parents, teachers, social workers and other agencies.

Once a referral is received, a counsellor meets with the family, completes an assessment, and develops counselling goals.



Some things to consider...

- There is no fee for C.A.T.S. services.
- C.A.T.S. services are confidential.
- The approach to counselling is child friendly and youth oriented.
- A youth 16 years of age or older may consent to their own treatment.
- Custody and access disputes between parents and significant others need to be resolved prior to the child receiving treatment. A referral may still be made and parents can receive support until the dispute is settled.
- It is important that the abuse, neglect, or family violence that occurred be reported to the appropriate resource (i.e. RCMP and/or Family and Children's Services).