

## Alaska Children's Alliance

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## Still more trainees in Forensic Interviewing of Children

ChildFirst Alaska is a nationally recognized model based on research and is an intensive 5-day course, with a full day in class followed by homework in the evening. In order to receive certification, attendees must successful complete a practice interview applying the ChildFirst© protocol and pass a written essay exam at the end of the course.

Thanks to instructors Lee Bruce, Carla Erickson, Pam Karalunas, Jessica Lawmaster, Lori Markkanen and newly certified instructor Leah Davies, and of course the students for making the September class a success! 15 OCS staff, 7 law enforcement, 2 criminal prosecutors and 2 Child Advocacy Center staff completed the course.



The December ChildFirst© Alaska was held in Fairbanks and 7 law enforcement, 7 OCS staff & 2 CAC staff completed the course. 2 ABI students are missing from the photo below due to being called out on a homicide. Lee Bruce, Carla Erickson, Pam Karalunas, and Lori Markkanen were instructors for this class.



Ever good natured, actors Tony Vita & Vivian Melde happily shared the back seat with luggage on the way to the airport.

