§ 422-c. Establishment of the child abuse medical provider program (CHAMP). 1. The child abuse medical provider program shall be established by the office of children and family services and operated by the child abuse referral and evaluation (CARE) program of the SUNY Upstate medical university, provided other similarly qualified organizations may also operate a CHAMP program, to improve access to quality medical care for suspected child abuse victims by providing training in the assessment and diagnostic skills for medical providers to identify and treat child abuse victims and by developing and providing continuing education and mentoring to certain persons mandated to report suspected child abuse or maltreatment pursuant to section four hundred thirteen of this title. CHAMP shall be a network of expert child abuse medical professionals, that provides a comprehensive source of child abuse information that offers resources and educational tools created to assist and educate mandated reporters in the identification of child abuse and maltreatment.

2. The CHAMP program shall provide information, training and mentoring on child abuse or neglect to certain persons mandated to report suspected child abuse or maltreatment pursuant to section four hundred thirteen of this title, and may include, but not be limited to:

(a) distant learning;
(b) a web based curriculum;
(c) video conferencing;
(d) workshops;
(e) mailings;
(f) self-study courses;
(g) continued learning through case conferences and peer review; and
(h) direct training of medical providers.