



## BENEFITS

- Access historical SCARs from various jurisdictions
- Monitor progress and status of a SCAR
- Share data across agencies & improve teamwork
- Parallel investigations by facilitating the transfer of data between LE and DCFS
- Minimize victim interviews & increase communication between agencies
- Provides investigation tools based on victim & suspect for both in/out home abuse



# ELECTRONIC SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE REPORT SYSTEM

## WHAT IS eSCARS?

eSCARS was developed by the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services and is a tool for combating child abuse by tracking, collaborating, and disseminating data. Suspected child abuse reports are shared among participating District Attorney's offices, local law enforcement, and County welfare departments. eSCARS provides authorities with reports from multiple areas, thus helping identify suspected abusers attempting to evade detection.

## WHY SYTECH?

SyTech has partnered with counties to design and integrate code base developed by the Los Angeles Department of Children and Family Services into a cloud-based system. SyTech successfully ported existing data layers to cloud architecture, built toolkits for interacting with the data, and created separate database tables for each participating county.

SyTech also created connection pathways between county databases where data could be shared if authorized with connecting parties. Finally, SyTech provided training and documentation to staff to ensure a smooth transition to the new system.

**“The success of eSCARS has inspired multiple California counties to join other agencies in sharing reports. This life saving technology has given law enforcement a powerful tool in the battle against child abuse.”**

