



For those who follow the work of [Dr. Craig Childress](#), he is what I call a “one trick pony.” One trick ponies meaning people who do one thing, and do it very well. Dr. Childress’ trick is to keep pointing to the epidemic of children who are subjected to psychological abuse and providing the solution—use the tools already available within the existing information and accepted standards in the psychological community. Reinventing the wheel is unnecessary and actually counterproductive. There are no new syndromes to invent, no rabbit holes to go down, no vague arguments over what is or isn’t real, just observable verifiable behaviors, that when present demonstrate a pathology and when not present, do not.

There are several facets to what allows the pathology of child psychological abuse to develop and flourish, and things that can effectively counter it. The facet I am pointing to today is that of *ignorance*. Unfortunately, ignorance runs rampant in the field of mental health and this ignorance allows the pathogen to destroy families on an all too regular basis.

The ignorance, while sometimes willful, is often times due to a lack of education. In the mental health field there are standards and ethics that professionals must adhere to. If they do not, they are in violation. This applies to those who practice in the domain of high conflict\* divorce.

The remedy? Make mental health practitioners accountable. That means attempting to educate, and if that isn’t successful to report unethical behavior to the body that grants the

licenses. This must be done by those of us who have seen the mental health practitioners in our cases get it backwards. They aren't likely to get it backwards if they are looking for the proper symptoms. They aren't likely to get it right if they aren't. Simple as that.

I have here links to two different types of situations. One is for a counselor or therapist who is involved with a child and becomes involved with a court case. This is the type of complaint I filed. These folks have no business trying to tell the legal system what is going on because they don't know themselves and they don't have the ability to make proper diagnoses. Some of these people are called "forensic" therapists. Don't be fooled. If they lack proper training the pathogen will win out. In the sample here it is aimed at a professional working with a child age of 8 or younger although it can be edited for older. The first template contains references to APA (American Psychological Association) and ACA (American Counseling Association) codes of ethics.

**Update: A competent professional in this field has pointed out that these complaint templates can also be used by those aligned with the pathogen to wrongfully make them. As a courtesy and also to protect them I have removed them. If you are curious about how to write one please contact me. I would like to find out a little more about your situation and can send you one privately, give you pointers or even help you write it out for a reasonable fee.**

**ALSO: If you are a member of a PASO ([Parental Alienation Solutions Organization](#)) chapter and your facilitator doesn't have copies, please ask them to contact me and I will gladly send a copy to them for you and your group's benefit.**

The other are people who do have the ability to make proper diagnoses but don't. Again, If they lack proper training *the pathogen will most likely win out.*

**For either one make sure and follow these guidelines:**

1. This is sample story line only. Edit and rewrite to match your own.
2. Be as objective as possible. Boards will discount or even discard outright complaints that are angry and punitive in tone. Your aim is to educate, not punish.
3. Use these violations specifically and build your complaint around them.
4. Be prepared to have additional evidence and documentation to support as many of the statements you are making as possible.

**Don't wait for someone else to report the professional you are dealing with if they**

**are ignorant and will not take on the information that will properly educate them.**

**It's up to *you* to help your child.**

\*I consider the term "High Conflict" to be a misnomer in many cases because the "conflict" is often driven by one parent.