

*Dear Parent:*

*We are living in an age where our children have become extremely vulnerable to influences that are destructive to the family unit. It is no secret that children are easily manipulated and even coerced into making false disclosures during child abuse investigations. The children are not to blame for this. The professionals charged with protecting America's children have an extensive history of validating accusations with a blatant disregard for the truth and at the expense of the best interests of the child. The only way to protect your children is to teach them how to protect themselves when you are not present.*

*This book has been designed as a tool for you to facilitate this process. You will notice that it has been characterized as a 'Family Activity Book.' The best way to reinforce the lessons included in this book is to sit down with your child and read it to him, discussing the issues and having your child answer the questions posed by the book. Encourage your child to ask questions. This book should not be used as a passive learning activity; this is an interactive tool between parent and child. Encourage your child to color and draw pictures that will reinforce the lessons taught. After the lessons are firmly in place, try to trick your child with question games. Encourage them to practice the lessons taught in this book.*

*Children who have been taught how to protect themselves present a major obstacle to child protection professionals. The investigations associated with children who refuse to be questioned are effectively stonewalled and their families remain safe and intact. Watch for more books in the *I Have the Power!* series, giving children power over the forces that would harm them.*

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*Cut out and laminate these cards. Give them to your children and instruct them to present the card to anyone who attempts to question them, and to not answer questions until you are present.*

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