



TAPP-C

**The Arson Prevention
Program for Children**

If you suspect or know your child is involved in fire play or fire setting, then *you are not alone.*

Fire play can be dangerous and in fact is a leading cause of death among children in the home.

Help is available.

The TAPP-C committee of Peel is committed to reducing inappropriate fire involvement with children and adolescents in our community.

The TAPP-C program unites fire service professionals with counselling professionals to help the child and family deal with the problem of fire involvement.

Fire service professionals help the family and child develop good fire safety practices. Counselling professionals will assess the child to determine the risk of continued fire involvement.

This program is available for children ages 2-17 and is free of charge.



The TAPP-C program consists of two parts:

- 1. Fire education**
- 2. Assessment and recommendations.**

The fire education component begins with a home visit by a fire service professional. During this visit, a home fire safety inspection is conducted, later followed by an educational component.

The assessment and recommendations component involves professional counsellors meeting the parent(s) and the child to determine the risk of further fire setting behaviour and to make recommendations for the next steps; these may include counselling or other services to help families deal with the challenges they may be facing.



Contacts:

If your child is involved in fire play or fire setting, contact the **Peel Children's Centre (PCC)**. 905-451-4655

For more information about TAPP-C contact your local fire service:

Brampton

Fire & Emergency Services
905-458-5580

Caledon

Fire & Emergency Services
905-584-2272 ext. 4303

Mississauga

Fire & Emergency Services
905-896-5908

