

Who Are Mandated Reporters?

- Animal control officers
- Child protective services personnel
- Clergy
- District attorney investigators and inspectors
- Evaluators
- Film processors
- Foster parents
- Head Start teachers
- Humane society employees
- Marriage/family/child counselors
- Paramedics
- Physicians
- Psychiatrists
- Public health service employees
- Recreational program staff
- School district police and security officers
- Teachers
- Youth center employees
- Child care providers
- Child visitation monitors
- Dentists
- Emergency room personnel
- Family support officers
- Firefighters
- Group home personnel
- Health practitioners
- Licensing workers
- Nurses
- Parole officers
- Probation officers
- Psychologists
- Pupil personnel public and private schools
- Residential care facilities
- Social workers
- Teacher aides/assistants/administrators
- Volunteers are not mandated reporters

What is the standard for reporting child abuse?

"Reasonable suspicion" is the standard for reporting child abuse and neglect. This means that, based on your training and experience, you have reason to suspect that a child is being abused or neglected.

Ask yourself, "Do I REALLY have serious concern for the child's safety and well being?"

THE MANDATED REPORTER HANDBOOK



The Mandated Reporter has a great, horrible responsibility compelled upon them by THREAT from the Child Abuse Industry.

The Mandated Reporter holds the future of many people in their hands, including their own.

A Report of Child Abuse–Neglect starts a monstrous machine running in the lives of many people around the child. Everybody comes away from a report damaged or destroyed–

ESPECIALLY THE CHILD

The Mandated Reporter

If you are a mandated reporter, you are required to report. If you suspect abuse, you are responsible for reporting it.

Making a report of suspected child abuse is difficult.

But the fact that a 22 year old CPS caseworker with 6 weeks training can destroy your professional credentials and ability to work in your profession helps your decision considerably.

“Mandated reporters are guilty of a misdemeanor and may be subject to civil damage suits if they fail to report.”

There are always nagging doubts about what the outcome will be, and the probability the report will put the child at greater risk in state custody than at home.

The best way to minimize the difficulty of reporting is to be fully prepared for the experience and to understand the reporting requirements and the process that is triggered by making a report.

Keep in mind, that Child Protective Services only investigates allegations of child abuse or neglect perpetrated or allowed by the child's parent, caretaker or guardian. The parents will have NO access to any of the protections of Miranda or the Constitution. Their “investigation” will be nothing more than digging up or inventing dirt to assassinate their characters and compel “therapy” upon them under the presumption of guilt.

The child(ren) will more than likely be removed from their homes greatly against the child's Fourth Amendment Right to-

“ be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures”

-and placed in “foster care” where they are 5 times more likely to be assaulted or killed than they were in their homes with their parents.

Allegations involving perpetrators other than the parents, caretakers, or guardians are referred to law enforcement for investigation where the perpetrator actually has access to his Constitutional Rights.

The system's guidelines for recognizing indicators of abuse and neglect:

Physical Abuse: *Any act which results in non-accidental injury.*

INDICATORS:

- Abrasions
- Bruises
- Fractures
- Lacerations
- Bites
- Burns
- Head Injuries

Neglect: Neglectful treatment or maltreatment of a child by parents or caregiver under circumstances indicating harm or threatening harm to the child's health or welfare.

Severe Neglect: Failure of parent or caregiver to protect a child from severe malnutrition or a **medically diagnosed** failure to thrive. Failure to provide adequate food, clothing or medical care.

General Neglect indicators: (These are actually signs of POVERTY and this family needs HELP, not crucifixion by CPS)

- Child appears malnourished
- Child often dirty or inadequately dressed
- Child often sleepy or hungry
- Evidence of poor supervision
- Lacking medical and dental care

Sexual Abuse: Any activity between an adult, or older child, and a child which results in sexual arousal or satisfaction of the adult or older child.

INDICATORS: (Obviously, several of these “indicators” are incredible)

- Age inappropriate sexual behavior
- Disclosure
- Eating disorders
- Injury/trauma unusual for age
- Sexually transmitted disease
- Stained/soiled/bloody underclothing
- Compulsive masturbation
- Drastic behavior changes
- Enuresis/encopresis
- Pregnancy
- Sleeping disorders

Emotional Abuse: Completely subjective and anything anybody wants it to be.

Mandated Reporter Referrals

The State Child Abuse/Neglect law mandates certain professions (mandated reporters), to make a report to the state CPS when they have **reasonable cause** to suspect that a child has been or may be subjected to abuse or neglect.

However, many times the mandated reporter may not suspect abuse or neglect but has some other concern about a family which does not rise to the level of a CA/N report.

These calls are Mandated Reporter Referrals.

Please DO NOT assume the CPS staff know of any REAL community supports available for families. More than likely, your call will be converted into a Hotline report and the family will be routinely DESTROYED by a CPS “investigation” when no basis existed for CPS to become involved with the family.

If you really want to help the family make community support connections, seek a local church that is active in HELPING FAMILIES grow stronger together.

Or contact **American Family Rights Association**. We will quickly put people WHO REALLY CARE about families and children in contact with the family to help BEFORE the family becomes ensnared in the hopeless meat grinder of CPS.



American Family Rights Association

<http://FamilyRightsAssociation.com>