



CALIFORNIA MANDATED REPORTING EASY STEPS...

WHAT MUST BE REPORTED and HOW TO REPORT!

What Must be Reported:

Any of the below acts involving anyone under the age of 18:

- Physical Abuse
- Sexual Abuse
- Emotional Abuse
- Neglect

The mandated reporter must only have *reasonable suspicion* that a child has been mistreated; no evidence or proof is required prior to making a report.

The case will be further investigated by law enforcement and/or child welfare services.

How to Report:

By Phone: Immediately, or as soon as possible, make a telephone report to child welfare services and/or to a Police or Sheriff's department.

1. Child Welfare Services phone # Sac. County (916) 875-5437; Placer Cty (530) 889-6700
2. Police Department phone # Roseville Police Dept. (916) 774-5000
3. Sheriff's Department phone # Sac. County (916)874-5191; Placer County (530) 889-7800

In Writing: Within 36 hours, a written report must be sent, faxed or submitted electronically. The written report should be completed on a state form called the 8572, which can be downloaded at https://oag.ca.gov/sites/all/files/agweb/pdfs/childabuse/ss_8572.pdf

Other information:

- Safeguards for Mandated Reporters:
 - The Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act (CANRA) states that the name of the mandated reporter is strictly confidential, although it is provided to investigative parties working on the case.
 - Under state law, mandated reporters cannot be held liable in civil or criminal court when reporting as required; however, under federal law mandated reporters only have immunity for reports made in good faith.
- Failure to report:
 - Failure to report concerns of child abuse or neglect is considered a misdemeanor and is punishable in California by six months in jail and/or up to a \$1,000 fine.
- For the complete law and a list of mandated reporters refer to California Penal Codes 11164-11174.3.

This document and Mandated Reporting information can be found at
www.mandatedreporterca.com