

COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE

NEBRASKA

CALL TO REPORT ABUSE

Contact your Nebraska child protection services at **402-471-9272** or any Law Enforcement Agency at **911**. You are not required to provide proof. Anyone who makes a good faith report based on reasonable grounds is immune from prosecution. If the abuse occurred within the past 72 hours, a medical evaluation by a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner is available by going to the Emergency Department at Your County Medical Center or by going to the nearest child advocacy center.

HELPLINES

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| Adult & Child Abuse & Neglect Hotline | 1-800-652-1999 |
| United Way Crisis Helpline (24 hour) | 888-421-1266 211(after hours) |
| Darkness to Light Helpline | 1-866- FOR-LIGHT (1-866-367-5444) |
| Childhelp: USA National Child Abuse Hotline | 1-800-4-A-CHILD (1-800-422-4453) |

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Legal Help

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| Box Butte Victim Rights Unit | 308-762-8346 |
| Sexual Assault Domestic Violence Services | 308-382-8250 |

Victim Advocacy

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| Parent - Child Center | 308-324-2336 |
| SASA Crisis Center | 402-463-5810 |
| Crisis Center | 308-382-8250 |
| The DOVES Program | 308-436-2787 |

RESOURCES FOR HEALING

Treatment Providers

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| The Bridge | 402-721-4340 |
| Hope Crisis Center | 402-729-2570 |
| Child Guidance Center | 402-475-7666 |

Support groups for survivors and for parents and families of children who have been abused

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| Mental Health System Consumer Line for listings | 1-800-836-7660 |
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WEBSITES FOR MORE INFORMATION ON CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND/OR TRAUMA

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| www.darkness2light.org | 1-843-965-5444 |
| www.trauma-pages.com | |
| www.stopitnow.com | 1-888-PREVENT (1-888-773-8368) |

THERE ARE SEVERAL CHILD
ADVOCACY CENTERS IN THE
STATE OF NEBRASKA.

Feel free to call the center
with any questions about
where to find resources
related to child sexual
abuse. Contact the nearest
CAC to set up an interview if
abuse is reported:

**Nebraska Alliance of Child
Advocacy Centers**
11949 Q Street
Omaha, NE 68137
Phone: (402) 595-1326
<http://www.nebraskacacs.com>

MANDATED REPORTING

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NEBRASKA STATE REPORTING LAWS

https://www.childwelfare.gov/systemwide/laws_policies/statutes/manda.cfm

PROFESSIONALS REQUIRED TO REPORT

Rev. Stat. § 28-711

Professionals required to report include:

- Physicians, medical institutions, or nurses
- School employees
- Social workers
- The Inspector General appointed under § 43-4317 The office of Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare is created within the office of Public Counsel for the purpose of conducting investigations, audits, inspections, and other reviews of the Nebraska child welfare system. The Inspector General shall be appointed by the Public Counsel with approval from the chairperson of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council and the chairperson of the Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature.

REPORTING BY OTHER PERSONS

Rev. Stat. § 28-711

All other persons who have reasonable cause to believe that a child has been subjected to abuse or neglect must report.

STANDARDS FOR MAKING A REPORT

Rev. Stat. § 28-711

A report is required when:

- A reporter has reasonable cause to believe that a child has been subjected to abuse or neglect.
- A reporter observes a child being subjected to conditions or circumstances that reasonably would result in abuse or neglect.

PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS

Rev. Stat. § 28-714

The physician-patient, counselor-client, and husband-wife privileges shall not be grounds for failing to report.

INCLUSION OF REPORTER'S NAME IN REPORT

Rev. Stat. § 28-711

The initial oral report shall include the reporter's name and address.

DISCLOSURE OF REPORTER IDENTITY

Rev. Stat. § 28-719

The name and address of the reporter shall not be included in any release of information.

HOW TO REPORT IN NEBRASKA

Any person who suspects that a child has been physically or sexually abused or neglected should report it promptly to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services at 1-800-652-1999.