

COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE

NEW JERSEY

CALL TO REPORT ABUSE

Contact the New Jersey Child Protective Services at **1-877-652-2873** 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

NJ Child Abuse & Neglect Hotline (24 hour)	877-NJ ABUSE (877-652-2873)
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

NJ State Bar	732-249-5000
New Jersey Crime Victim's Law Center	973-729-9342

Victim Advocacy

Advocates for Children of NJ	973-643-3876
PEI Kids	609-695-3739
Center for Family Services	856-964-1990

RESOURCES FOR HEALING

Treatment Providers

NJ Dept of Mental Health	1-800-382-6717
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Support groups for survivors and for parents and families of children who have been abused

The Women's Center	609-601-9925
Family Service League	973-746-0800

WEBSITES FOR MORE INFORMATION ON CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND/OR TRAUMA

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 NEW JERSEY.

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:

**Wynona's House Child
Advocacy Center**
185 Washington St.
Newark, NJ 07102
973-753-1110

**NJ Children's Alliance-CAC
Visit**

http://newjersey.nationalchildrensalliance.org/cac_locations
to find a CAC in your county

MANDATED REPORTING

NEW JERSEY

NEW JERSEY STATE REPORTING LAWS

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

REPORTING BY OTHER PERSONS

Ann. Stat. § 9:6-8.10

Any person having reasonable cause to believe that a child has been subjected to child abuse, neglect, or acts of child abuse shall report.

STANDARDS FOR MAKING A REPORT

Ann. Stat. § 9:6-8.10

A report is required when a person has reasonable cause to believe that a child has been subjected to abuse or neglect.

INCLUSION OF REPORTER'S NAME IN REPORT

The reporter is not specifically required by statute to provide his or her name in the report.

DISCLOSURE OF REPORTER IDENTITY

Ann. Stat. § 9:6-8.10a

The identity of the reporter shall not be made public. Any information that could endanger any person shall not be released.

VIOLATIONS INCLUDING FAILURE TO MAKE REPORT; DISORDERLY PERSON

Ann. Stat. § 9:6-8.14

Any person knowingly violating the provisions of this act including the failure to report an act of child abuse having reasonable cause to believe that an act of child abuse has been committed, is a disorderly person.

HOW TO REPORT IN NEW JERSEY

In New Jersey, any person having reasonable cause to believe that a child has been subjected to abuse or acts of abuse should immediately report this information to the State Central Registry (SCR).

If the child is in immediate danger, call 911 as well as 1-877 NJ ABUSE (1-877-652-2873)