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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

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)
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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
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)