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COMMUNITY RESOURCES

FOR RESPONDING TO CHLD SEXUAL ABUSE

# CALL TO REPORT ABUSE

# Contact the Delaware Dept. of Children & Family Services at 1-800-292-9582 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

Child Abuse & Neglect Hotline (24 hour) 1-800-292-9582

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**

DE State Bar 302-658-5279

Community Legal Aid Society (CLASI) 302-575-0660

**Victim Advocacy**

Office of the Child Advocate 302-255-1730

Sexual Assault Network of Delaware 1-800-262-9800

# RESOURCES FOR HEALING

**Treatment Providers**

DE Dept of Mental Health-Division of Child Mental Health 302-633-2600

Survivors of Abuse in Recovery (SOAR) 302-655-3953

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

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

[www.D2L.org](http://www.D2L.org) 1-843-965-5444

[www.trauma-pages.com](http://www.trauma-pages.com)

[www.stopitnow.com](http://www.stopitnow.com) 1-888-PREVENT
 (1-888-773-8368)

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

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:

**The Children’s Advocacy Center of Delaware**

Visit <http://www.cacofde.org/directions.html> for the CAC near you

**New Castle County**

302-651-4566

**Kent County**- 302-741-2123

**Sussex County**- 302-854-0323

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MANDATED REPORTING

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ARIZONA STATE REPORTING LAWS

https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/systemwide/laws-policies/state/

PROFESSIONALS REQUIRED TO REPORT

Any person, agency, organization, or entity that knows or in good faith suspects child abuse or neglect shall make a report. For purposes of this section, ‘person’ shall include, but not be limited to:

• Physicians, interns, residents, nurses, or medical examiners

• Other persons in the healing arts, including persons licensed to render services in medicine, osteopathy, or dentistry

• School employees, social workers, or psychologists

• Hospitals or health-care institutions

• The Medical Society of Delaware

• Law enforcement agencies

REPORTING BY OTHER PERSONS

*Ann. Code Tit. 16, § 903*

Any person who knows or in good faith suspects child abuse or neglect shall make a report.

STANDARDS FOR MAKING A REPORT

*Ann. Code Tit. 16, § 903*

A report is required when the reporter knows or in good faith suspects child abuse or neglect.

PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS

*Ann. Code Tit. 16, § 909*

Only attorney-client and clergy-penitent privileges are recognized.

INCLUSION OF REPORTER’S NAME IN REPORT
*Ann. Code Tit. 16, § 905*

Although reports may be made anonymously, the Division of Family Services shall request the name and address of any person making a report.

HOW TO REPORT IN DELAWARE

If you suspect child neglect, child abuse, or child sexual abuse contact the law enforcement agency in your area or

**800-292-9582** to make a report.

For mandated reporter training: <http://ocade.server.tracorp.com/>

For info on Darkness to Light’s mandated reporter training visit: <https://www.d2l.org/education/additional-training/child-abuse-neglect/>