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COMMUNITY RESOURCES

FOR RESPONDING TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE

# CALL TO REPORT ABUSE

# Contact the Nebraska Dept. of Children Protective Services at 9272-471-402 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

**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

Box Butte Victim Rights Unit 308-762-8346

Sexual Assault Domestic Violence Services 308-382-8250

### Victim Advocacy

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**

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

# **Mental Health System Consumer Line for Listings 1-800-836-7660**

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 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

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MANDATED REPORTING

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NEBRASKA STATE REPORTING LAWS

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

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.