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Policy

In compliance with Section 11166 of the California Penal Code, any medical practitioner who has knowledge of or observes a child in his or her professional capacity or within the scope of his or her employment whom he or she knows or reasonably suspects has been the victim of child abuse, must report the known or suspected instance of child abuse to a child protective agency immediately or as soon as practically possible.

In compliance with Section 15630 of the welfare and institutions code, any health practitioner who in his/her capacity or within the scope of his/her employment, either has observed an incident that reasonably appears to be physical abuse, has observed a physical injury where the nature of the injury, its location on the body, or the repetition of the injury, clearly indicates that physical abuse has occurred, or is told by an elder or dependent adult that he/she has experienced behavior constituting physical abuse, shall report the known or suspected instance of physical abuse either to the long term care ombudsman coordinator or local law enforcement agency when the abuse has occurred in a long term facility, or to either the county adult protective services agency or local law enforcement agency when the physical abuse is alleged to have occurred anywhere else.

Procedure

For emergency or immediate response contact Modoc or Lassen County Child and Adult Protective Services by Hotline at (530) 233-6602 or (888) 845-0924 24-hours a day. Follow up with a printed report.

Lassen County Child and Adult Protective Services may be contacted at (530) 251-8158.

If contact cannot be made with the above numbers Call 911 in the respective County.

PDF Fill in forms for child and adult abuse reporting are located in the SCCSD electronic forms file. Online reports made on Friday afternoons, weekends and holidays may not be processed until the next business day.

Paper forms are maintained in the ambulance forms file cabinet with instructions for faxing or mailing. File printed report in Operations office.