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**It's the right thing and it's the law.**

You are **required** to report abuse and/or neglect.

Indiana law (IC 31-33-5-1) requires anyone who suspects child abuse or neglect to report it to the authorities.

If you work in a child care or youth serving program, you are a Professional Reporter and by law you must report suspected abuse and neglect.

Professionals who knowingly fail to make a report required by IC 31-33-5-2 commit a Class B misdemeanor.

Even if your organization has a policy and a designated reporter, you are still required by Indiana law to make a report yourself in most cases.

If you have **ANY** doubts or suspicions about whether or not to report abuse and/or neglect of a child, call the hotline: 1-800-800-5556

*If you would like training on the detection and prevention of child abuse contact the Indiana Association for Child Care Resource and Referral at 1-800-299-1627*

**DON'T WAIT...**

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