

Idaho Mandatory Reporting Requirements Regarding Children

<p><i>Who Must Report?</i></p>	<p>Any of the following persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physician;</li> <li>• Resident on a hospital staff,</li> <li>• Intern;</li> <li>• Nurse;</li> <li>• Coroner;</li> <li>• School teacher;</li> <li>• Day care personnel;</li> <li>• Social worker; or</li> <li>• Any other person having reason to believe that child has been abused, abandoned or neglected or who observes the child being subjected to conditions or circumstances which would reasonable result in abuse, abandonment or neglect.</li> </ul> <p>Notification requirements do not apply to a “duly ordained minister of religion” with regard to any confession or confidential communication made to him in his ecclesiastical capacity in the course of discipline enjoined by the church to which the minister belongs.</p>
<p><i>Standard of Knowledge</i></p>	<p>Person needs to have reason to believe that the child has been abused, abandoned or neglected, or has observed the child being subjected to conditions or circumstances which would reasonably result in abuse, abandonment or neglect.</p>
<p><i>Definition of Applicable Victim</i></p>	<p>Child under the age of 18 that has been abused, abandoned or neglected or who has been subjected to conditions or circumstances which would reasonable result in abuse, abandonment or neglect.</p>
<p><i>Reports Made To</i></p>	<p>Report to proper law enforcement agency (i.e., city police department, prosecuting attorney of any county, state law enforcement officers, or the sheriff’s office of any county) or to the Department of Health and Welfare (“DHW”).</p> <p>DHW shall be informed by law enforcement of any report made directly to it.</p> <p>When the attendance of a physician, resident, intern, nurse, day care worker, or social worker is pursuant to the performance of services as a member of the staff of a hospital or similar institution, they shall notify person in charge of institution or his designated delegate who shall make the necessary reports.</p>
<p><i>Contents of Report</i></p>	<p>Must report the <i>conditions or circumstances</i> of the actual or suspected abuse, abandonment, or neglect.</p>
<p><i>Timing/Other Procedures</i></p>	<p>Must report all of suspected abuse, abandonment or neglect within 24 hours of discovery.</p>



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<i>Other</i>	Failure to report shall be a misdemeanor.
<i>Source/Applicable Statute(s)</i>	Idaho Code § 16-1605 (2007); Idaho Code § 346-224 (2007)

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