



Child Care Program
Reporting Notification

Child Abuse

The reporting of suspected child abuse situations is a personal obligation as well as a professional and legal one. Minnesota State Statute, 245A.145, Subd. 1, requires that any of my employees, helpers, or I report any form of physical, sexual, or emotional abuse or neglect of any child in my care. When any of my employees, helpers, or I, know, have reason to believe, or suspect maltreatment has occurred, my employees, helpers, or I will immediately, meaning as soon as possible, contact and make a report to one of the following:

- 1. Washington County Social Services Child Protection Intake: (651) 430-6457
2. Local Law Enforcement or 911
3. Washington County Child Care Licensing: (651) 430-6455

Any person picking up a child in an impaired condition (under the influence of drugs or alcohol) will be encouraged to allow me to find alternate transportation. I cannot legally withhold a child from a parent or legal guardian; however, I will not hesitate to call the police if I feel the child is in jeopardy.

You may receive verbal reports or notes from me about your child(ren) having bruises or scrapes without needing to fear that I suspect you of abusing your child(ren). The verbal reports or notes that you may receive from me are just to alert you of any injuries noticed, and also to protect myself from mistaken accusations of abuse.

Complaints about Operation of a Child Care Program

Communication between parents and the provider is essential if your child is to receive consistent, nurturing care. When I accept a new family into my business, I like to be sure that we can share openly any concerns or questions that may arise. It is important that there is a similar childcare philosophy between us. I welcome questions, feedback, or discussions of any kind that contributes a positive outcome for the child.

If concerns cannot be satisfactorily resolved between us, you may take your concerns to the following agencies:

- 1. Washington County Social Services Child Protection Intake: (651) 430-6457
2. Washington County Child Care Licensing: (651) 430-6455
3. Minnesota Department of Human Services, Licensing Division (Child Care): (651) 296-3971

Parent Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

Provider Signature

Date