

Assault/Abuse-Child Abuse (4 hours)

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Today's game plan

- Time
- Breaks
- Lunch!



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Who are we? Who are you?

- Who are the trainers?
- Who are you?
 - Name
 - Professional experience with Child Abuse
 - What do you want to know/learn?



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Objectives

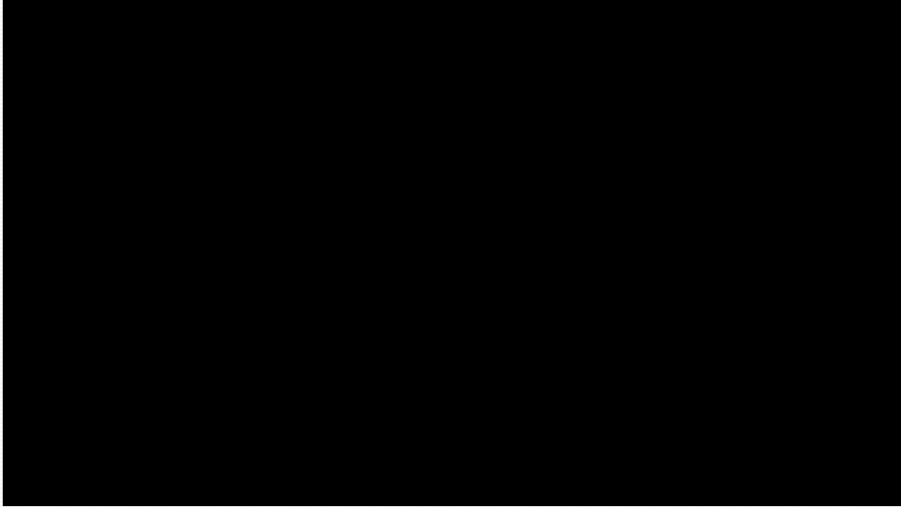
- Identify indicators of child abuse.
- Identify the different types of child abuse.
- Identify factors that put a child at increased risk of being abused and/or neglected.
- Identify mandated child abuse reporting laws and procedures.
- Given a scenario, complete a suspected child abuse report.



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Video- "ReMoved"



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Video-Removed (REVIEW)

- What PHYSICAL signs of child abuse did the young lady have?
- Were there signs of emotional abuse?
- Do you think this young lady had experienced trauma? Why? Or why not?

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Long term effects of Trauma

- Insecurity
- Unable to attach (“Reactive Attachment Disorder”)
- Depression
- Anxiety
- Anger
- Explosive
- Huge economic impact

The importance of a child's close relationship with a caregiver cannot be overestimated.

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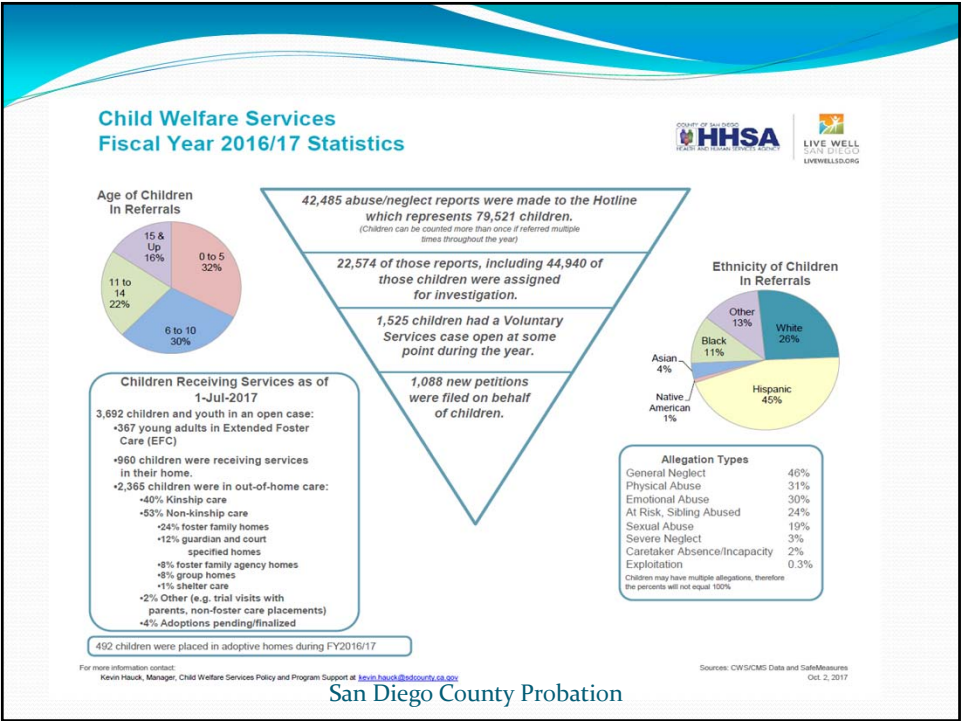
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CANRA is.....

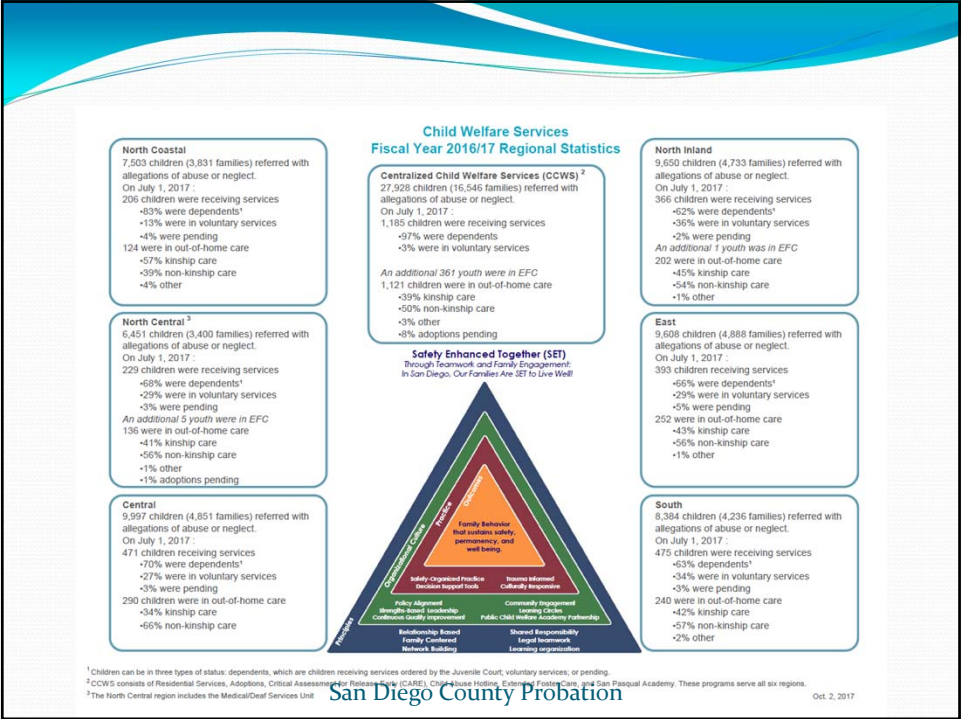
- The Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act (CANRA)
- Set of laws that was passed in 1980

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Physical Abuse Indicators

- Deliberate
- Patterns
- Severe and/or frequent
- Unexplained
- No explanation or improbable explanation of injury
- Delay in seeing treatment
- Location of injury

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What is NOT Physical Abuse

- A "mutual affray between minors"
- "Reasonable and necessary force"
- "Reasonable and necessary force" used by a person employed in a public school
- Spanking that is **reasonable and age-appropriate**

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Physical Abuse: Emotional Signs

- Extremes in behavior: very aggressive or withdrawn and shy
- Afraid to go home
- Frightened of parents or other adults
- Excessive discipline or inappropriate physical punishment



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Cultural Diversity and Child Abuse

A set of beliefs, attitudes, values, and behavior that is passed down from generation to generation.

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Mongolian spots

- Are a type of pigmented birthmark. These marks are flat and **blue**-gray. They typically appear on the buttocks or lower back, but may also be found on the arms or legs

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“Coining”



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Definition of Coining

This ancient **method** of treatment is employed to rid the body of “heatiness” or “negative energies”.

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“Cupping”



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Cupping

- **Cupping therapy** is an ancient form of alternative medicine

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Parental or Caregiver Red Flags

- Parent lacks understanding of normal child behaviors and development
- Has unrealistic expectations of child
- Is unduly harsh and rigid about childrearing
- Singles out one child as “bad”, “evil”, or “beyond control”

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Protective Factors

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Protective Factors

- Parental Resilience
- Social Connections
- Concrete Support in Times of Need
- Knowledge of Parenting and Child Development
- Social and Emotional Competence of Children

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General Neglect

Failure of a caregiver to provide adequate food, shelter, medical care, or supervision where no physical injury has occurred. PC11165.2 (b)

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Severe Neglect

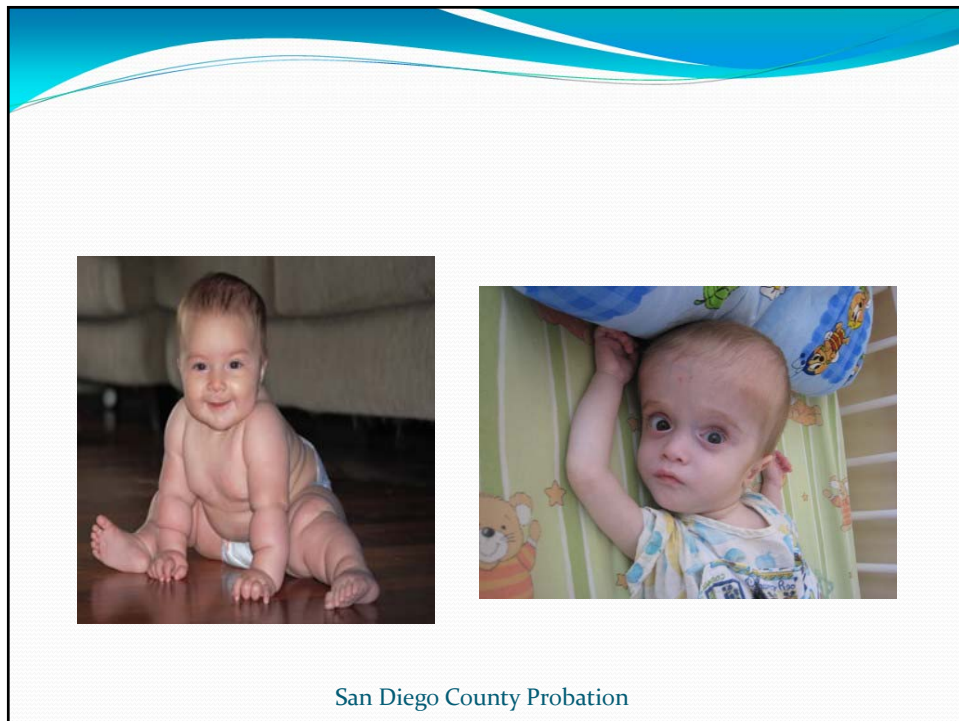
- The negligent failure of a caregiver to protect the child from severe malnutrition or failure to thrive.
- Caregiver willfully causes or permits the child to be placed in a situation such that his or her person or health is endangered. [PC 11165.2 (a)]

“
*Child abuse casts a shadow
the length of a lifetime.*
”

—Herbert Ward

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Neglect-Religious Considerations

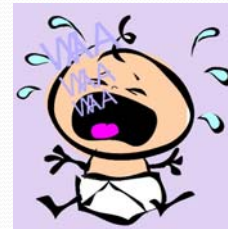
Per CANRA, a child receiving treatment by spiritual means or not receiving specified medical treatment for religious reasons, shall not for *that reason alone* be considered a neglected child [PC 11165.2 (b)]

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Drug-exposed Infants

A positive toxicology screen at the time of the delivery of an infant is alone not a sufficient reason for reporting child abuse or neglect (PC 11165.13)



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“CSEC”

- CSEC???? What does that stand for?



every **child** matters

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Sexual Exploitation (PC 11165.1 (c))

Sexual exploitation includes:

- Preparing, selling, or distributing pornographic materials involving children
- Performances involving obscene sexual conduct
- Child prostitution

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Sexual Abuse

Child sexual abuse includes both sexual assault and sexual exploitation [PC 11165.1 (a)]



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Physical Signs of Sexual Abuse

Talk at your tables. What are some signs?

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Sexual Abuse - Disclosure

- Do victims report abuse?
- When do victims typically report?
- Commonalities of reporting

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Emotional Signs of Sexual Abuse

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Emotional Abuse

- Defined as willful cruelty or unjustified punishment (PC 11165.3)
- Examples / Signs

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Emotional Abuse

- Includes acts or omissions that have or could cause serious behavioral, cognitive, emotional, or mental disorders

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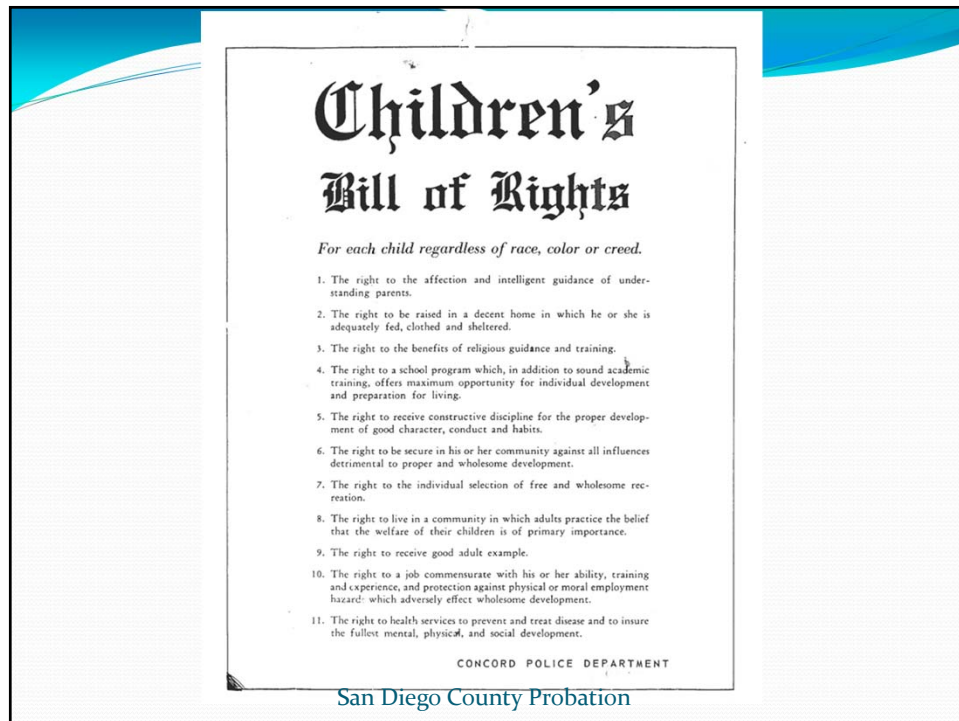
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Who are Mandated Reporters?

- Who is Mandated to report?
- Volunteers in organizations

you.

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Examples of Mandated Reporters

- Childcare custodians, including childcare providers and teachers
- Child visitation monitors
- Mental health practitioners
- Medical practitioners
- Employees of social service agencies
- Firefighters/Law Enforcement
- Animal control or Humane Society officers
- Clergy members
- Commercial computer technicians
- Lifeguards

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Mandated Reporting Law

Mandated reporters are defined as individuals who, within the scope of their jobs, must by law report any ***knowledge or reasonable suspicion*** of child abuse or neglect to a child protective agency.
[PC 11166 (a)]

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Who files the report?

- Responsibility rests solely with the mandated reporter
- An employer may not impede or sanction an employee for making a report
- Reporting party identity is kept confidential

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Who to call:

- A “Child Protective Agency”
- Police or Sheriff
- HHSA / Child Welfare Services
(858) 560-2191
or
(800) 344-6000



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Child Abuse Hotline

- Processes all referrals
- Social Workers gather as much information as possible, evaluate level of risk
- Determine whether referral will be assigned for investigation



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What to report?

PHYSICAL ABUSE
NEGLECT
SEXUAL ABUSE
EMOTIONAL ABUSE

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When should I file a report?

- Immediately (or as soon as practically possible) by phone
- Use “Suspected Child Abuse Report” form. Can be found online.
- Follow up with a written report within 36 hours!



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Investigation Outcomes:

- The report is determined to be one of the following:

Substantiated – the abuse occurred

Evaluated Out - the report is closed

Unfounded - the report is determined to be false

Inconclusive - there is insufficient evidence to determine whether child abuse or neglect has occurred or not

(PC 11165.12)

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CWS/CMS Narrative-Activity

As a group, determine what you would report to the hotline and write it on a large post it note.

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Making a CPS report



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Print **SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE REPORT** **Reset Form**

To Be Completed by **Mandated Child Abuse Reporters**
Pursuant to Penal Code Section 11166
PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

CASE NUMBER: _____

A	REPORTING PARTY NAME OF MANDATED REPORTER: _____ TITLE: _____ REPORTER'S BUSINESS/AGENCY NAME AND ADDRESS: Street _____ City _____ Zip _____ REPORTER'S TELEPHONE (OFFICE): _____ SIGNATURE: _____ () _____	MANDATED REPORTER CATEGORY: _____ DID MANDATED REPORTER WITNESS THE INCIDENT? (YES / NO) _____ TODAY'S DATE: _____
B	REPORT NOTIFICATION (1) LAW ENFORCEMENT (2) COUNTY PROSECUTOR AGENCY: _____ (3) COUNTY WELFARE - CPS (3042 Protective Services) ADDRESS: Street _____ City _____ Zip _____ OFFICIAL CONTACTED: TITLE _____ TELEPHONE: _____ DATE/TIME OF PHONE CALL: _____	
C	VICTIM One report per victim NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE): _____ BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE: _____ SEX: _____ ETHNICITY: _____ ADDRESS: Street _____ City _____ Zip _____ TELEPHONE: _____ PRESENT LOCATION OF VICTIM: _____ SCHOOL: _____ CLASS: _____ GRADE: _____ PHYSICALLY DISABLED? (YES / NO) _____ DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED? (YES / NO) _____ OTHER DISABILITY (SPECIFY): _____ PRIMARY LANGUAGE SPOKEN IN HOME: _____ IN FOSTER CARE? (YES / NO) _____ IF VICTIM WAS IN OUT OF HOME CARE AT TIME OF INCIDENT CHECK TYPE OF CARE: TYPE OF ABUSE (CHECK ONE OR MORE) (1) DAY CARE (2) CHILD CARE CENTER (3) FOSTER FAMILY HOME (4) FAMILY FRIEND (5) PHYSICAL (6) EMOTIONAL (7) SEXUAL (8) NEGLECT (9) OTHER (SPECIFY) _____ RELATIONSHIP TO SUSPECT: _____ PHOTO TAKEN? (YES / NO) _____ DID THE INCIDENT RESULT IN THIS VICTIM'S DEATH? (YES / NO) _____ (1) SUICIDE	
D	INVOLVED PARTIES PARENTS/GUARDIANS NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE): _____ BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE: _____ SEX: _____ ETHNICITY: _____ ADDRESS: Street _____ City _____ Zip _____ HOME PHONE: _____ BUSINESS PHONE: _____ NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE): _____ BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE: _____ SEX: _____ ETHNICITY: _____ ADDRESS: Street _____ City _____ Zip _____ HOME PHONE: _____ BUSINESS PHONE: _____ SUSPECT NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE): _____ BIRTHDATE OR APPROX. AGE: _____ SEX: _____ ETHNICITY: _____ ADDRESS: Street _____ City _____ Zip _____ TELEPHONE: _____ OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION: _____	
E	INCIDENT INFORMATION IF NECESSARY, ATTACH EXTRA SHEETS (OR OTHER FORMS) AND CHECK THIS BOX: _____ IF MULTIPLE VICTIMS, INDICATE NUMBER _____ DATE / TIME OF INCIDENT: _____ PLACE OF INCIDENT: _____ NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION (Other address) location of the mandated reporter observed/heard person accompanying the victim(s) (abductor or past incidents involving the victim(s) or suspect)	

SS 8572 (rev. 10/98) **DEFINITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE**
 DO NOT submit a copy of this form to the Department of Justice (DOJ). The investigating agency is required under Penal Code Section 11166 to submit to DOJ a Child Abuse Investigation Report Form SS 8563 if (1) an active investigation was conducted and (2) the incident was determined not to be unfounded.
 WHITE COPY: Law or Juvenile Department. BLUE COPY: County Welfare or Probation Department. GREEN COPY: District Attorney's Office. YELLOW COPY: Reporting Party.

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MRA Website

CWS Web MRA - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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Address: https://phsdcountry.us/phcweb/mra/login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2Fphcweb%2Fmra%2FPhoneAdverDW.aspx

County of San Diego

Welcome to the San Diego County CWS Web Mandated Reporter Application (MRA)!

To report suspected child abuse in San Diego County, California, contact the Child Abuse Hotline 24 hours a day, 7 days a week - **(858) 560-2191** or toll free at **(800) 344-6000**.

Upon completion of the telephone call, you will be able to initiate the Web based MRA follow up report (SS8572).

The MRA application is available daily from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

[HHS Web Referral Website](#)
 Username: [Forgot Your User Name?](#)
 Password: [Forgot Your Password?](#)

You may also manually fill out the [SS8572 form](#) and fax it to CWS - **(858) 467-0412**.

[Additional information about San Diego County's Child Welfare Services\(CWS\)](#)

WARNING
 The use of this County application/system is restricted to authorized users only. This application/system and equipment are subject to monitoring to ensure proper performance of applicable security features or procedures. Such monitoring may result in the acquisition, recording, and analysis of all data being communicated, transmitted, processed or stored in the application/system including but not limited to information stored locally on the hard drive, by a user. There is no right of privacy in this application/system. If monitoring reveals possible evidence of criminal activity, such evidence may be provided to law enforcement.

Internet 2:01 PM

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Options for sending your report....

Follow directions by Hotline Worker!!!

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Penalties: Failure to report

- Misdemeanor
- Up to 6 months in jail and/or \$1000 fine
- May be liable for damages in civil lawsuit
- Professionals risk loss of license or credential

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What happens after you file a report?



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Response times

- Law Enforcement = Immediate Response
- 24 hour = 2 -24 hour response
- 5 day = 5-day response
- 10 day = 10-day response
- Evaluate Out

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After a finding is made.....

- Feedback to mandated reporter
- Some substantiated reports get reported to CACI (Child Abuse Central Index)
- Dependency Flow Chart (handout)

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NAME OF AGENCY:	Health & Human Services Agency	DEPARTMENT DIVISION:	Child Welfare Services
STREET ADDRESS:	6900 Leavitt Street		
CITY AND ZIP CODE:	San Diego, California 92111	COUNTY:	San Diego
NAME OF SOCIAL WORKER:	Belinda Christensen	CASE/DIVISION:	In-home MC2A
		TELEPHONE:	(651) 694-5705

EMERGENCY RESPONSE NOTICE OF REFERRAL DISPOSITION

NAME OF CHILD(REN): _____ CHILD(REN)'S ADDRESS: _____

NAME OF SOCIAL WORKER: _____ AGENCY PHONE: _____

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2901 Meadow Lark Dr
San Diego, California 92123-2711

The above named family or child was referred by you to this agency for Emergency Response intervention on: 05/03/2017 .

The result of the Initial Emergency Response intervention is:

☒ Does not meet the State requirements for intervention

☐ Allegations appear to be unfounded - case closed

☐ Allegations cannot be substantiated - case closed

☐ Situation stabilized - case closed

☐ Family has agreed to voluntary Social Services

☐ Case open for service

☒ Referred to community agency

Not Referred

Referred to juvenile Court for investigation

COMMENTS:

Celene Stowell Sv PSSW for Belinda Christensen PSS

In-home-MC2A (External Number) PSS (Fax) (651) 694-5705 (Telephone Number)

6/9/17 (Date)

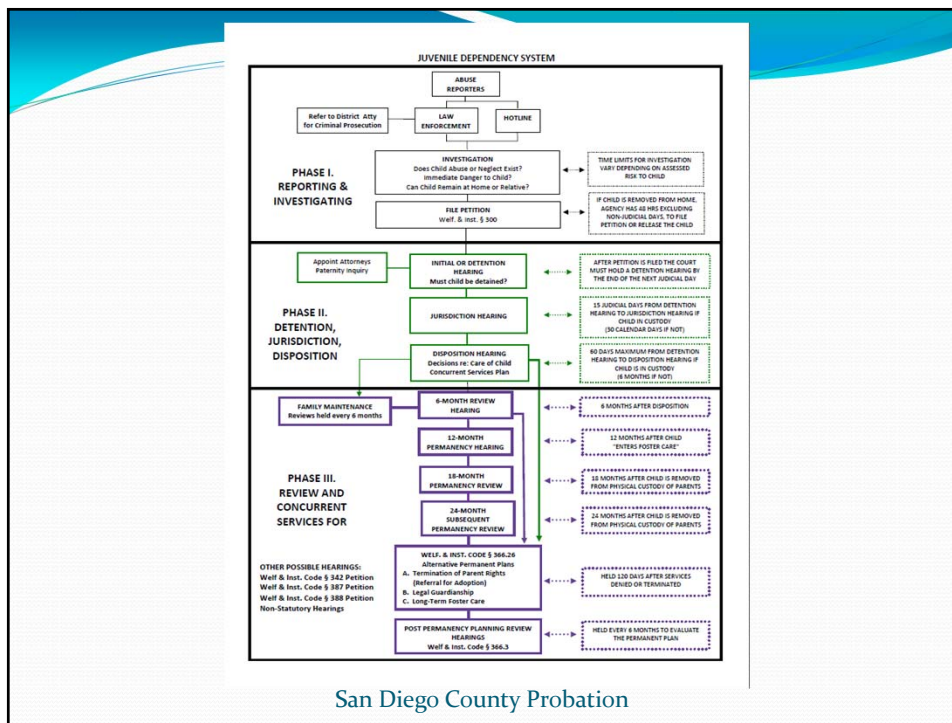
NOTICE OF REFERRAL DISPOSITION

State of California Health and Welfare Agency
Department of Social Services
CWS Case Management System
HLS000701 (Rev. 1/05)

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Confidential in accordance with
WIC Section 11160 & 11161
WIC Sections 827 and 10860
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Tips: Dealing with Disclosure

- Remain calm
- Don't interrogate
- Reassure the youth that you will be taking the information seriously and it's not their fault



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Dilemmas and Grey Areas

- Homelessness
- Past abuse: relevance at present time
- Trust and relationship issues with clients

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Confidentiality and Coworkers

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Sources to assist foster care youth

- Independent Living Skills (ILS) or Independent Living Program (ILP)
- Extended Foster Care (EFC)
- Family Finding / Permanent Connections
 - In-house searches
 - YMCA contract

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Evaluations; please provide feedback!

Thank you for your participation.

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