

Mandated Reporters:

Minnesota Statute 626.556 requires persons in designated professional occupations to report suspected child abuse or neglect. They must report to the police or child protection if they know or have a reason to believe that a child is being abused or neglected or that a child has been neglected or abused within the prior three (3) years.

What professions are required to report child maltreatment?

The following professionals and their delegates are mandated reporters:

- **Health Care Personnel**
 - Hospital administrators
 - Medical professionals and personnel
 - Dental professionals
- **Social Services**
 - Social workers
 - Group home staff
 - Foster parents
- **Education**
 - Teachers and assistants
 - School administrators
 - School support staff
- **Mental Health Professionals**
 - Psychologists
 - Therapists / counselors
 - Psychiatrists
- **Child Care**
 - Home child care providers
 - Child care center staff
 - Babysitters
- **Law Enforcement**
- **Guardians ad Litem**
- **Clergy***
- **Corrections management and staff**
- **Probation officers**
 - * Members of the clergy are required to report suspected child abuse or neglect unless that information is received under certain privileged circumstances.

You can find more information about mandated reporting in the [Resource Guide for Mandated Reporters](#).