

POLICIES

MANDATORY REPORTING GUIDELINES OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

As a UW-Madison employee, you are required to report child abuse or neglect immediately if in the course of employment:

- You observe an incident or threat of child abuse or neglect
- Learn of an incident or threat of child abuse or neglect
- Have reasonable cause to believe that child abuse or neglect has occurred or will occur

A UW-Madison employee who is a mandatory reporter under Wis. Stat. § 48.981(2)(a) shall comply with the requirements of the state mandatory reporter law. Deciding to get involved in a situation of suspected abuse or neglect can be difficult. It is, however, a decision that may be crucial to a child not only today, but also in the future. Caregivers/maltreaters who have abused or neglected their children may need services and support to provide safe care for their children. The sooner an issue is reported, the sooner the child can be helped.

No UW-Madison employee making a report in good faith may be discharged, disciplined, threatened, or otherwise discriminated against in regards to employment.

More valuable information can be found here: [Child Abuse Reporting Guidelines for UW-Madison Employees](#)

Resources:

- Your full-time supervisor
- University Housing Human Resources
Slichter Hall, Room 15
625 Babcock Drive, Madison, WI 53706
(608) 262-2766
hr@housing.wisc.edu

Campus Resources: *(your supervisor and HR can help you with this)*

- The Office of Compliance: [Reporting Requirements – Office of Compliance – UW–Madison \(wisc.edu\)](#)
- UW-Madison Police Department: 608-264-COPS