

Who is a Mandated Reporter?

VSA Title 33 Chapter 49

- Any health care provider, such as:
 - Physicians, pharmacists, dentists, and mental health professionals
- Individuals employed at any hospital in the state, such as:
 - Administrators, interns, and resident physicians
- Any individual who is regularly employed by a school district, such as:
 - School guidance counselors, librarians, principals, superintendents, teachers
- Residential and non-residential camp:
 - Administrators, counselors, and owners
- Any individual contracted and paid by a school district to provide student services for 5 or more hours per week during the school year
- Childcare workers, police officers, probation officers, social workers, and members of the clergy
- Employees, contractors, and grantees of the Agency of Human Services who have contact with clients

Your Responsibility

*Once you suspect that a child may have been abused or neglected, you are required by law to report your suspicions to Family Services- **within 24 hours**. A report is **required**- regardless of any other administrative protocols*

Common Questions

Can I Be Sued?

Vermont law provides you with immunity from civil or criminal liability as long as your report was made in good faith.

What About HIPPA?

The HIPPA privacy rule allows covered entities to disclose protected health information to report known or suspected child abuse or neglect- if the report is made to a government authority authorized by law to receive such reports.