

## NATIONAL LEVEL-

### **The “Protecting Young Victims from Sexual Abuse and Safe Sport Act of 2017”**

mandates that all amateur sports organizations, which participate in an interstate or international amateur athletic competition and whose membership includes any adult who is in regular contact with an amateur athlete who is a minor must report suspected child abuse, including sexual abuse, within 24 hours to law enforcement.

There are resources on reporting child abuse available at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service’s website:

<http://www.childwelfare.gov/responding/reporting.cfm>

**The U.S. Department of Health and Human Service’s website also contains a list of child abuse reporting telephone numbers for each state and includes links to each state’s child welfare agency website.**

[https://www.childwelfare.gov/organizations/CWIGFunctionsaction=rols:main.dspROL&roIType=custom&rs\\_id=5](https://www.childwelfare.gov/organizations/CWIGFunctionsaction=rols:main.dspROL&roIType=custom&rs_id=5)

This link provides access to the U.S. Department of Health web pages on mandatory reporting across all 50 states:

<https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/systemwide/laws-policies/state/>

Below is a link from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services on how to report suspected child abuse:

<https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/responding/reporting/how/>

There is a national child abuse reporting hotline, which is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week with crisis counselors and a nationwide database of emergency, social service and support resources to help and guide any person deciding whether or not to make a report of child abuse:

Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline

1-800-4-A-CHILD

1-800-422-4453

## OREGON LAW-

Under Oregon law, certain officials and professionals including doctors and health care professionals, school employees, law enforcement officers, clergy, social workers, mental health professionals, firefighters, court appointed advocates, child care providers, employees of public or private organizations providing child related activities like scout camps, day camps, summer camps and religious centers, as well as coaches, assistants and trainers of amateur, semiprofessional or professional athlete (if compensated and if the athlete is a child), personal support worker and home care worker with knowledge of or suspicion of child abuse are required to immediately make an oral report of such abuse to the Department of Human Services by telephone or in person.

Abuse is defined to include physical abuse, mental abuse, sexual abuse, exploitation and neglect.

To access the entire child abuse chapter in the official Oregon Code online, follow:

[https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/bills\\_laws/Pages/ORS.aspx](https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/bills_laws/Pages/ORS.aspx)

For valuable information on reporting abuse in Oregon and tools to determine what constitutes abuse, visit the Department of Human Services website at:

<http://www.oregon.gov/dhs/children/child-abuse/Pages/Data-Publications.aspx>

<http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/CHILDREN/CHILD-ABUSE/Pages/index.aspx>

To report child abuse or neglect, follow the link to contact information for your local office:

<http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/CHILDREN/CHILD-ABUSE/Pages/Reporting-Numbers.aspx>

Or Call: 1- 855 503 SAFE (7233)