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Alabama Ala. Code § 26-14-3 (2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knowledge or suspicion	Child Abuse or Neglect	Law enforcement Department of Human resources	Oral and written
Alaska Alaska Stat. § 47.17.020 (Michie 2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to suspect	Harm as a result of child abuse or neglect	Department of Health and Social Services	Not Specified
Arizona Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 13-3620 (2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable grounds to believe	Injury, commercial sexual exploitation of a minor, sexual exploitation of a minor, incest, child prostitution, death, abuse, or nonaccidental physical neglect	Law enforcement or Child Protective Services	Oral and written
Arkansas Ark. Code Ann. § 12-12-507 (Michie 1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to suspect	Child maltreatment or conditions that will result in child maltreatment	Child abuse hotline	Oral
California Cal. [Penal] Code § 11166 (West 2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knowledge or reasonable suspicion	Child abuse	Child protective agency	Oral and written
Colorado Colo. Rev. Stat. § 19-3-304 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to know or suspect	Child abuse or neglect	County Department of Human Services or law enforcement	Not Specified
Connecticut Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 17a-101 to - 101b (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to suspect or believe	Abuse, nonaccidental physical injury, or neglect	Commissioner of Children and families or law enforcement agency	Oral

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Delaware Del. Code Ann. Tit. 16, §§ 903-904 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knowledge or good faith suspicion	Child abuse or neglect	Division of Child Protective Services of Department of Services for Children Youth, and Their Families	Oral and written (if requested)
District of Columbia D.C. Code Ann. § 2-1352 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knowledge or reasonable cause to suspect	Immediate danger of physical or mental avuse or neglect	Law enforcement or Child Protective Services	Not Specified
Florida Fla. Stat. ch. 39.201 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knowledge or reasonable cause to suspect	Abuse, abandonment, or neglect	Department of Children and Family Services	Oral
Georgia Ga. Code Ann. § 19-7-5 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause	Abuse	Child welfare agency designated by the Department of Human Resources or law enforcement Commissioner of Children and families or law enforcement agency	Oral and written (if requested)
Hawaii Haw. Rev. Stat. § 350-1.1 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reason to believe	Child abuse or neglect or substantial risk of above in reasonably foreseeable future	Department of Human Services and law enforcement	Oral and written
Idaho Idaho Code § 16-1619 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reason to believe	Abuse, abandonment, or neglect or conditions that would reasonably result in any of above	Law enforcement or Department of Health and Welfare	Not specified

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Illinois 325 Ill. Comp. Stat. 5/4 (West 2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to believe	Abuse or neglect	Department of Children and Family Services	Not specified
Indiana Ind. Code §§ 31-33-5-1 to -2, -4 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reason to believe	Abuse or neglect	Child protective services or law enforcement	Oral
Iowa Iowa Code § 232.69 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable belief	Child abuse	Department of Human Services	Oral and written
Kansas Kan. Stat. Ann. § 38-1522 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reason to suspect	Injury resulting from physical, mental, or emotional, neglect, or sexual abuse	Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services	Oral and written (if requested)
Kentucky Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 620.030 (Michie 1998)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knows or has reasonable cause to believe	Dependency, neglect or abuse	Law enforcement, Cabinet for Families and Children, or county attorney	Oral or written
Louisiana La. Civ. Stat. Ann. Art. 603, 609-610 (West 2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Cause to believe	Endangerment of child's physical or mental health or welfare due to neglect or abuse	Child Protection Unit of Department of Social Services	Written
Maine Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. Tit. 22 § 4011 (West 1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knowledge or reasonable cause to suspect	Child likely to be or has been abused or neglected	Department of Human Services	Not Specified
Maryland Md. Code. Ann., [Fam. Law] § 5-704 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reason to believe	Abuse or neglect	Department of Social Services or law enforcement	Oral and written

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Massachusetts Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 119, § 51A (2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to believe	Physical or emotional injury resulting from abuse which causes harm or substantial risk of harm to child's health or welfare;	Juvenile Court	Oral and written
Michigan Mich. Comp. Laws § 722.623 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to suspect	Abuse or neglect	Department of Social Services	Oral and written
Minnesota Minn. Stat. § 626.556 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knows or has reason to believe	Neglect, or physical or sexual abuse, currently or within past three years	Welfare agency or law enforcement	Not specified
Mississippi Miss. Code Ann. § 43-21-353 (2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to suspect	Neglect or abuse	Department of Human Services	Oral and written
Missouri Mo. Rev. Stat. § 210.115 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to suspect	Child has been or may be subjected to abuse or neglect or is being subjected to conditions that would reasonably result in abuse or neglect	Division of Family Services	Not specified
Montana Mont. Code Ann. § 41-3-201 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knows or has reasonable cause to suspect	Abuse or neglect	Department of public Health and Human Services	Not specified
Nebraska Neb. Rev. Stat. § 28-711 (2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to believe	Abuse or neglect or conditions that reasonably would result in abuse or neglect	Law enforcement or Department of Health and Human Services	Oral and written

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Nevada Nev. Rev. Stat. § 432B.220 (2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knowledge or reasonable cause to believe	Abuse or neglect	Law enforcement or protective services	Not specified
New Hampshire N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 169-C:29 to -C:30 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reason to suspect	Abuse or neglect	Department of Health and Human Services	Oral and written (if requested)
New Jersey N.J. Stat. Ann. § 9:6-8.10 (west 2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to believe	Abuse	Division of Youth and Family Services	Oral or written
New Mexico N.M. Stat. Ann. § 32A-4-3 (Michie)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knowledge or reasonable suspicion	Abuse or Neglect	Law enforcement or Department of Children, Youth, and Families or tribal law enforcement (if child resides in Indian country)	Not specified
New York N.Y. [Soc. Serv.] Law § 413 (McKinney 1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to suspect	Abuse or maltreatment	Central register of child abuse and maltreatment	Oral and written
North Carolina N.C. Gen. Stat. § 7B-301 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Cause to suspect	Abuse, neglect, dependency, or death resulting from maltreatment	Department of Social Services	Oral or written
North Dakota N.D. Cent. Code § 50-25.1-03 (2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knowledge or reasonable cause to suspect	Abuse, neglect, or death resulting from abuse or neglect	Department of Human Services	Not specified

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Ohio Ohio Rev. Code. Ann. § 2151.421 (Anderson 1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knowledge or suspicion	Suffers or faces threat of suffering abuse, neglect, physical or mental wound, injury or disability that reasonably indicates abuse or neglect	Public Children Services Agency or law enforcement	Oral and written (if requested)
Oklahoma Okla. Stat. Tit. 10, § 7103 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reason to believe	Abuse or neglect	Department of Human Services	Oral or written
Oregon Or. Rev. Stat. §§ 419B.005, .010-.015 (1997)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to believe	Abuse	Office for Services to Children and Families or law enforcement	Oral
Pennsylvania 23 Pa. Cons. Stat. § 6311 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to suspect	Abuse	Department or appropriate county agency	Oral and written
Rhode Island R.I. Gen. Laws § 40-11-3 (2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to know or suspect	Abuse, neglect, or sexual abuse perpetrated by another child	Department for Children and Their Families	Oral
South Carolina S.C. Code Ann. § 20-7-510 (Law. Co-op. 1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reason to believe	Physical or mental health or welfare has been or may be adversely affected by abuse or neglect	Department of Social Services or law enforcement	Oral
South Dakota S.D. Codified Laws §§ 26-8A-3, -6	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to suspect	Abuse or neglect	State's attorney, Department of Social Services. or law enforcement	Oral

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Tennessee Tenn. Code Ann. § 37-1-403 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knowledge or reasonable indication or reasonable appearance	Wound, injury, disability, physical or mental condition caused by brutality, abuse, or neglect	Juvenile court judge, Department of Children's Services, or law enforcement	Oral or written
Texas Tex. [Fam.] Code Ann. §§ 261.101-103 (West 2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Cause to believe	Physical or mental health or welfare adversely affected by abuse or neglect	Law enforcement or Department of Protective and Regulatory Services	Not specified
Utah Utah Code Ann. § 62A-4a-403 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Observation or has reason to believe	Incest, molestation, sexual exploitation, physical abuse, neglect, or circumstances reasonably resulting in any of above	Law enforcement or Division of Child and Family Services	Not specified
Vermont Vt. Stat. Ann. Tit. 33, §§ 4913-4914 (2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to believe	Abuse or neglect	Commissioner of Social And Rehabilitation Services	Oral and written
Virginia Va. Code Ann. § 63.1-248.3 (Michie 1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reason to suspect	Abuse or neglect	Department of Social Services	Oral
Washington Wash. Rev. Code § 26.44.030 (2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Observation or reasonable cause to believe	Abuse or neglect or conditions likely to result in neglect or abuse	Law enforcement or Department of Social and Health Services	Not specified
West Virginia W. Va. Code § 49-6A-2 (2000)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to suspect	Neglect or abuse, or conditions likely to result in neglect or abuse	State Department of Human Services and Division of Public Safety and law enforcement (if serious)	Not specified

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Wisconsin Wis. Stat. § 48.981 (1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Reasonable cause to suspect or reason to believe	Abuse or neglect, or threat of abuse or neglect	Department of Health and Family Services	Oral and written (if requested)
Wyoming Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 14-3-205 (Michie 1999)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Knowledge or reasonable cause to believe or suspect	Abuse or neglect or subjection to conditions that would reasonably result in abuse or neglect	Child protective agency or law enforcement	Not specified

*NOTE: Because the term allied health professional is defined variably among different states, this Chart cannot accurately summarize the duties of all persons who might be included in this broad category*

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