

MANDATED REPORTER

EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF MANDATED REPORTING REQUIREMENTS & RECEIPT of TRAINING

A mandated reporter is an individual who is obligated by law to report suspected cases of child abuse and neglect. In general, any individual who, in the ordinary course of their employment, has contact with children is a mandated reporter. Mandated reporters include professionals and their delegates in the following fields: education, health care, social services, childcare, mental health, law enforcement, correctional service and clergy.

The following are your Mandated Reporter responsibilities. Please review this information carefully and acknowledge your receipt and understanding.

I understand that:

- The following situations trigger mandatory reports: a) Physical Abuse (willful harming of a child); b) Sexual Abuse including sexual assault, child exploitation, pornography, and trafficking; c) Severe or General Neglect; and d) Extreme Corporal Punishment (resulting in injury).
- When I make a mandated report, I will be required to give my name. However, my identity will be kept confidential unless I either consent to disclosure or if disclosure is made pursuant to a court order. Further, agencies investigating the mandated report may disclose my identity to one another.
- I may not be disciplined, dismissed, retaliated against, discriminated against or harassed for making a mandated report of reasonably suspected child abuse.
- As a Mandated Reporter, it is a misdemeanor to fail to comply with Mandated Reporting laws and I can be held criminally liable for failing to report suspected abuse. I further understand that I could be civilly liable for failure to understand that I am a legally Mandated Reporter.

PROCEDURE FOR REPORTING: Immediately report the neglect or physical or sexual abuse to County Human Services agency (Mahnomen or Becker), County Sheriff (Mahnomen or Becker), Tribal Social Services (ICW), or Tribal Police Department.

Becker County Human Services 218-847-5628, EXT: 5410, Toll Free: 866-454-5628

Mahnomen County Human Services 218-935-2568

White Earth Indian Child Welfare (ICW) 218-983-4647

Mahnomen County Sheriff 218-935-2255 (After work hours or immediate danger)

Becker County Sheriff 218-847-2661 (After work hours or immediate danger)

White Earth Tribal Police 218-983-2677 or 218-935-2621 (After work hours or immediate danger)

If immediate report has been made orally, by telephone or otherwise, the oral report MUST be followed with a written report within 72 hours (exclusive of weekends and holidays).

I have observed the on-line training and am aware of and understand my responsibilities under the Mandated Reporter laws of this state and am willing and able to comply. I understand that a copy of this Acknowledgement will be kept in my personnel file.

Name (Signature)

Date

Name (Print)