

**Signed Statements**

Child Abuse Reporting Statement

All employees who are child care custodians or health practitioners, as defined by Penal Code 11166.5, are required to report known or suspected instances of child abuse.

Persons in the above positions shall sign a statement to the effect that the employee knows of the legal requirement to report known or suspected instances of child abuse and is prepared to comply with this law. (Penal Code 11166.5)

*(cf. 3514 - Safety)*

*(cf. 141.4 - Child Abuse and Neglect)*

**Legal References:**

EDUCATION CODE

44690-44691 Staff development in the detection of child abuse and neglect

PENAL CODE

- 273 Willful cruelty or unjustifiable punishment of child; endangering life or health
- 11164-11174.3 Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act, especially
- 11166 Report; duty; time
- 11166.5 Employment; statement of knowledge of duty to report
- 11172 Exemption from civil and criminal liability resulting from required reporting of known or suspected child abuse; failure to report is a misdemeanor

Management Resources:

CDE LEGAL ADVISORY

0328.90 Duties and Liabilities of School Counselors