

Policy Name: Suspected Child Abuse or Neglect - SOMI
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I. Policy

Required reporting of suspected child abuse or neglect.

II. Purpose

To provide a mechanism for reporting suspected child abuse or neglect.

III. Scope

This policy applies to associates of the St. Mary's Hospital School of Medical Imaging.

IV. Definitions

None

V. Policy Details

Under Virginia law (Code of Virginia § 63.2-1508 - 1515, 1509), anyone employed by a private institution of higher education who, in their professional or official capacity, has reason to suspect that a child has been abused or neglected, is required to report the matter immediately to the Department of Social Services. St. Mary's Hospital School of Medical Imaging (the "School") also requires that the information be immediately shared with the Director of Compliance and Risk Management so that the School can ensure timely compliance with this law and enhance the protection of children.

The School will also report all suspected child abuse and neglect, including sexual assault, to law enforcement and/or to the Virginia Department of Human Services toll-free child abuse and neglect hotline at 800.522.7096.

The immediate report by an associate can be made as follows:

- If a child is in immediate danger, call the police: 911
- Report directly to local law enforcement and/or to the Virginia Department of Human Services toll-free child abuse and neglect hotline at 800.522.7096

After the immediate report has been made (see above), the secondary report by an employee can be made by calling:

804.627.5300 for Campus Security

804.627.5457 for reporting to the Director of Compliance and Risk Management

VI. Attachments

None

VII. Related Policies

ADM 9.02 Voluntary Reporting of a Crime

ADM 9.06 Title IX Sexual Harassment

VIII. Disclaimers

Nothing in this policy creates a contractual relationship between St. Mary's Hospital School of Medical Imaging (SOMI) and any party. SOMI, in its sole discretions, reserves the right to amend, terminate or discontinue this policy at any time, with or without advance notice.

IX. Version Control

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1.0	6/30/2022	Initial Policy	Dean of Administration