



Date: January 21, 2025 **System Memo: #436**

To: All System members and NCH EMS students

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RE: **Updated guidelines for Mandated Reporters**

Background

On Wednesday, January 1st, 2025, a new law (**SB2877/Public Act 103-0624**) came into effect. This has amended the following information from (**325 ILCS 5/ Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act**, Section 7 and 8.6.

~~office of the State's Attorney of the involved county shall be confirmed in writing within 24 hours of the oral report. All reports by persons mandated to report under this Act shall be confirmed in writing to the appropriate Child Protective Service Unit, which may be on forms supplied by the Department, within 48 hours of any initial report.~~
Any report received by the Department alleging the abuse

EMS Guidelines

With this update Mandated reporters are no longer required to complete the following forms:

- CANTS 4 – Written Confirmation of Suspected Child Abuse Neglect Report – Medical Professionals
- CANTS 5 – Written Confirmation of Suspected Child Abuse Neglect Report – Mandated Reporters

Consequently, DCFS will no longer be accepting/processing these forms.

We will continue to abide by expected guidelines, with regard to making reports.

- *“All reports of suspected child abuse or neglect made under this Act shall be made immediately by telephone to the central register established under Section 7.7 on the single, State-wide, toll-free telephone number established in Section 7.6, or in person or by telephone through the nearest Department office.”*

References:

- [Public Act 0624 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY](#)
- [325 ILCS 5/ Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act.](#)

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