



THE SIGNS AREN'T ALWAYS THIS OBVIOUS  
**DON'T MISS THE SIGNS**  
**REPORT CHILD ABUSE**

## REPORTING CHILD ABUSE IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

Every year in Florida, tens of thousands of children are subjected to child abuse, which can take the form of physical or sexual abuse, neglect, abandonment or mental injury. Many more continue to suffer because the abuse is never reported. Under Florida law, anyone who suspects a child may be abused or neglected has a responsibility to report it.

### Signs that a child may be a victim of abuse:

- ✖ Unusual fearfulness
- ✖ Lack of hygiene or inappropriate dress
- ✖ Frequent injuries
- ✖ Delayed emotional, intellectual or language development
- ✖ Feeding disorders
- ✖ Rocking, self-inflicted pain
- ✖ Sleep disorders, bed-wetting
- ✖ Lack of eye contact, poor socialization
- ✖ Acting out in school
- ✖ Unexplained scars or bruises
- ✖ Malnutrition
- ✖ Many school absences

**1.800.962.2873 ✖ [www.FloridaAbuseHotline.com](http://www.FloridaAbuseHotline.com)**

### How to report abuse:

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