## Elkhart & St. Joseph Counties Head Start Consortium

**Child Abuse Reporting Form** 

Fill in every blank completely & email to Head Start Office immediately after calling in a report. Email to: CPS@headstartesj.com

Reporting Numbers for Division of Family and Children/CPS  1-800-800-5556  Manager/Transportation/Principal signature:	
Child's Name:	Birthday:
Head Start Center:	Room #: Date:
Referral Made by (Name):	Position:
REASON FOR REPORT:OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION: (HEALTH CO	ONSIDERATION, SOCIAL, SERVICE, IMPLICATIONS, ETC.)
TIME THE WAS CALL WAS MADE TO CPS:	
ACTION TAKEN:	
Signature DCS PERSON YOU SPOKE TO:	Date Submitted
HEAD START OFFICIAL(S) NOTIFIED (i.e., Principa	al, Manager, Executive Director):
PARENTS' NAME:ADDRESS:	TELEPHONE NUMBER(s):

Procedures for reporting child abuse and neglect:

- 1. You must make a phone call, then inform the building principal, and then your manager.
- 2. Any staff member who observes an injury to a child which they suspect was not caused by accidental means, MUST IMMEDIATELY call the Division of Family and Children/Child Protective Services (DFC/CPS).
- 3. If Law Enforcement MUST be called you need to contact Dr. Kathy Guajardo immediately prior to making that call to Law Enforcement to inform her of the severity of the situation.
- The reporting staff must complete the Child Abuse Reporting form and email it to the Head Start office, CPS@headstartesj.com immediately. If any follow-up information is needed by DFC/CPS, this record keeping will aid the effort. The first notified Manager must call and provide all information to the Operations Manager for further actions.
- 5. If you suspect a child is suffering from neglect, notify your Head Start manager immediately.