

White Memorial Medical Center



EMPLOYEE STATEMENT-ADULT ABUSE REPORTING

Section 15630 of the Welfare and Institutions Code requires any care custodian, health practitioner, or employee of an adult protective services agency or a local law enforcement agency who has knowledge of or observes a dependent adult in his or her professional capacity or within the scope of his or her employment who he or she knows has been the victim of physical abuse, or who has injuries under circumstances which are consistent with abuse where the dependent adult's statements indicate, or in the case of a person with developmental disabilities, where his or her statements or other corroborating evidence indicates that abuse has occurred, to report the known or suspected instance of physical abuse to an adult protective services or a local law enforcement agency immediately or as soon as practically possible by telephone and to prepare and send a written report thereof within 36 hours of receiving the information concerning the incident.

"Dependent Adult" means any person residing in this state, between the age of 18 and 64, who has physical or mental limitations which restrict his or her ability to carry out normal activities or to protect his or her rights including, but not limited to, persons who have physical or developmental disabilities or whose physical or mental abilities have diminished because of age. "Care custodian" means an administrator or an employee of any of the following public or private facilities: (1) Health facility, (2) Clinic, (3) Home Health agency, (4) Educational Institution, (5) foster homes and group homes, (9) Community care facility, (10) Adult day care facility, including adult day health care facilities, (11) Regional Center for persons with developmental disabilities, (12) Licensing worker or evaluator, (13) Public assistance worker (14) Adult protective services agency, (15) Patients rights advocate, (16) Nursing home ombudsman, (17) Legal guardian or conservator, (18) Skilled Nursing Facility, (19) intermediate care facility, (20) Local law enforcement agency, (21) Any other person who provides goods or service necessary to avoid physical harm or mental suffering who performs duties, "Health practitioner" means a physician and surgeon, psychiatrist, psychologist, dentist, intern, podiatrist, chiropractor, licensed nurse, licensed under Division 2 (commencing with Section 500) of the Business and Professions Code, any emergency medical technician I and II, paramedic, a person certified pursuant to Division 2.5 (commencing with Section 1797) of the Health and Safety Code, or a psychological assistant registered pursuant to section 2913 of the Business Professions Code, a marriage, family and child counselor trainee, as defined in subdivision or Section 4980.03 of the Business and Section 4980.44 of the Business and Professions code, a state or county public health employee who treats a dependent adult for any condition, a coroner, or religious practitioner who diagnoses, examines, or treats dependent adults.

My name below certifies that I have read and understand this statement and will comply with my obligations with the above-cited provision of the Welfare and Institution Code, in accordance with procedures established by White Memorial Medical Center.

Signature _____

Date _____