

NEGLECT PROTOCOL

CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT – HOSPITAL PROTOCOL FOR SUSPECTED OR CONFIRMED ABUSE OR NEGLECT OF A CHILD OR YOUNG PERSON

Policy 1.2.1 Protocol 2

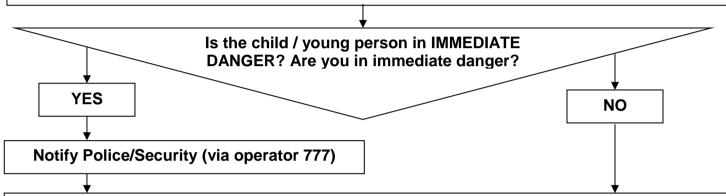
Use in conjunction with the:

- Bay of Plenty District Health Board (BOPDHB) policy 1.2.1 Child Abuse & Neglect Management and Reporting;
- BOPDHB Child Abuse and Neglect Protocols Information Booklet; and
- Flipchart, Indicators of Child Abuse and Neglect.

THE SAFETY OF THE CHILD / YOUNG PERSON IS PARAMOUNT

Abuse or Neglect is Suspected, Witnessed, Reported or Disclosed

*Reassure child / young person * Do not interview * Stop at point of disclosure * Do not make promises



CONSULT WITH OTHERS IMMEDIATELY – Manager / Nurse Leader, Hospital Social Worker, Regional Māori Health Services, Paediatrician, Family Violence Intervention Programme (FVIP) Co-ordinator, Police or CYF Liaison Officer - **DO NOT WORK ALONE**

- 1. Send CYF electronic notification (<u>FM.R6.1 Report of Concern CYF</u>) to <u>cyfcallcentre@cyf.govt.nz</u> or Fax to 09 9141221 give child details and clearly state your findings / concerns.
- 2. You will receive an email from CYF and the VIP team to confirm they have received the notification.
- 3. Facilitate a secure environment for the child / young person, if appropriate.
- 4. Facilitate family / whanau support as required e.g. Regional Māori Health services / cultural support worker, if appropriate.
- 5. Consider admitting the child / young person to the ward, if appropriate.
- 6. Offer the family / whanau the option of referral to a community support agency, lwi Hauora services if appropriate

DOCUMENTATION

- 1. Attach a copy of the written report of concern to the client's file a copy will have been forwarded to the FVIP Co-ordinator via email. Or Fax to (07 578 5485).
- 2. Documentation must be objective and accurate record disclosed information verbatim.

SEEK PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT to ensure your own wellbeing

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REFERENCES

- Children, Young Persons and their Families Act 1989 plus amendments.
- Health Act 1956 including Section 125.
- <u>Ministry of Health. 2002. Family Violence Intervention Guidelines Child and Partner Abuse Wellington: Ministry of Health.</u>
- Indicators of Child Abuse and Neglect Flipchart
- Office of the Children's Commissioner and UNICEF. 2004. Protecting Children from Abuse and Neglect
- Office of the Children's Commissioner. 2006. Safety of Children in Hospital
- Child, Youth and Family, the Ministry of Health and the New Zealand Police.
 Memorandum of Understanding on the Safety of Children in Hospital with Suspected or Confirmed Non Accidental Injury.

ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 1.2.1 Child Abuse and Neglect Management
 & Reporting
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 1.2.1 protocol 1 Child Abuse and Neglect Standards
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 1.2.1 protocol 3 Child Abuse and Neglect -Community Protocol for Suspected or Confirmed Abuse or Neglect of a Child or Young Person
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 1.2.7 Child Protection Alerts
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 1.2.7 protocol 1 Child Protection Alerts -Standards
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 1.2.7 protocol 2 Child Protection Alerts Adding, Responding To and Removing
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 1.2.2 Older Person Abuse and Neglect, Investigation and Reporting
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 1.2.3 Partner Abuse Management of
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 0.0 Glossary of Terms / Definitions
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 1.5.1 Interpreter Services
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 1.4.4 Māori Cultural Safety
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 1.1.1 Informed Consent
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 6.1.5 Alerts
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Summary of Injuries Form (618C)
- <u>Bay of Plenty District Health Board Emergency Department Child Injury Assessment form</u> (7441)

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