

# Initial Notification Procedures Child Abuse or Neglect

**Mandated Reporters  
must immediately make an  
external and internal report**

Child abuse or neglect  
as defined by UC CANRA  
[policy](#)

External Report  
Required by  
Law

- UC Merced Police Department (209 CAT COPS) OR
- Any local police or sheriff's department (911) OR
- County Child Protective Services office.

The initial telephone report must be followed by a written report to the same agency within 36 hours. A written report may be submitted on [formSS8572](#)

Internal Report  
Required by UC  
Policy

Promptly report observed or suspected child abuse or neglect to your supervisor or through the [University of California Compliance Hotline](#):