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PURPOSE

To set a procedure to handle and report suspected child or elder abuse that is required of public officials per Oregon Revised Statutes 124.050 and 419B.005 and by Oregon Administrative Rule 333-250-0040 3(d) and 3(e).

PROCEDURE

- A. If you suspect abuse to a child or elderly person has occurred attempt to transport the victim to the hospital without the possible offender riding along.
- B. Notify the duty officer as soon as possible.
- C. Do not put yourself or crew at risk.
- D. Notify the staff at the hospital and law enforcement of your suspicion of abuse when you arrive at the hospital, and why you suspect abuse.
- E. If the patient or guardian is unwilling to be transported or allowed to be transport, leave the area, notify law enforcement and wait for their arrival.
- F. Fill out an incident report and a patient care report on returning to the station.
- G. Note as a public official you are required by law to report all suspected child or elderly abuse to law enforcement 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.