



Shascade

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SUSPECTED ABUSE AGAINST DEPENDENT ADULTS

AB238

The enactment of AB238 mandates reporting of known and/or suspected abuse against dependent adults.

Section 15630 of the Welfare and Institutional 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/her professional capacity or within the scope of his/her employment who he/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/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 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.

SCS's REPORTING POLICY

An employee of SCS who suspects abuse against an SCS consumer is to verbally report the incident, as soon as possible, to APS, then to their immediate supervisor.

The employee is to submit an Incident/Accident Report, or written statement, to their supervisor regarding the suspected abuse during the 24 hours immediately following the verbal report.

The supervisor will immediately apprise the Executive Director of the suspected abuse. The Executive Director, or designee, will in turn report the incident to the appropriate governing agency.

All employees of Shascade Community Services, Inc., shall sign this statement, as a condition of continued employment, to the effect that they have knowledge of these provisions and will comply with the provisions and SCS's Reporting Policy.

Employee Signature

Date