

(A) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW RELATING TO CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT, A LOCAL DEPARTMENT THAT RECEIVES A REPORT OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE UNDER § 5-703 OR § 5-704 OF THIS TITLE THAT CONCERNS A FAMILY DAY CARE HOME SHALL NOTIFY THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE WITHIN 48 HOURS.

(B) UPON RECEIPT OF THE NOTIFICATION REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE SHALL CONVENE, EITHER IN PERSON OR BY TELEPHONE, A MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM TO COORDINATE PROCEDURES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGREEMENT DEVELOPED UNDER § 5-706(E) OF THIS TITLE TO BE FOLLOWED IN INVESTIGATING AND OTHERWISE RESPONDING TO THE REPORT.

(C) THE MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM SHALL BE CHAIRED BY THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE AND SHALL INCLUDE:

(1) REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY THAT ARE INVESTIGATING THE REPORT UNDER § 5-706 OF THIS TITLE;

(2) REPRESENTATION FROM THE OFFICE OF THE LOCAL STATE'S ATTORNEY; AND

(3) APPROPRIATE MEDICAL, INCLUDING MENTAL HEALTH, EXPERTISE.

(D) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, THE MEMBERS OF THE MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM SHALL SHARE INFORMATION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE TEAM'S RESPONSIBILITY UNDER THIS SECTION.

(E) ANY INFORMATION SHARED BY THE MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM SHALL BE CONFIDENTIAL AND MAY BE DISCLOSED ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 88A, § 6 OF THE CODE.

(F) UPON REQUEST, THE STATE POLICE SHALL PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO A LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY WHICH IS INVESTIGATING A REPORT OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE CONCERNING A FAMILY DAY CARE HOME.

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(c) (1) "Child care center" means an agency, institution, or establishment that, for part or all of a day, or on a 24-hour basis on a regular schedule, and at least twice a week, offers or provides child care to children who do not have the same parentage except as otherwise provided for in law or regulation.

(2) "Child care center" shall include a nonpublic nursery school in which an instructional program is offered or provided for children [between 2 to 4 years old] WHO ARE UNDER THE AGE OF 5 YEARS.

(3) "Child care center" does not include: