

# Recognizing Child Abuse and Neglect



## Course Outline

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### Course Introduction

- Overview
- Desktop Guide
- Course Outline and Resources

### Child Abuse and Neglect in the United States

- The Costs of Child Abuse
  - ✓ Physical Costs
  - ✓ Emotional Costs
  - ✓ Economic Costs
- What Happens to Children Who Are Abused
- Abuse: An Unknown Epidemic (Video)

### Nature of Child Abuse and Neglect

- Legal Definitions
  - ✓ Congressional Definitions
  - ✓ Federal Definitions for States
- Types of Child Abuse
- Indicators of Child Abuse
- Physical Abuse
  - ✓ Definition
  - ✓ Examples
  - ✓ Physical Indicators
  - ✓ Behavioral Indicators
- Sexual Abuse
  - ✓ Definition
  - ✓ Examples
  - ✓ Physical Indicators
  - ✓ Behavioral Indicators
- Emotional Abuse
  - ✓ Definition
  - ✓ Examples
  - ✓ Physical Indicators
  - ✓ Behavioral Indicators

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- Neglect
  - ✓ Definition
  - ✓ Physical Neglect
  - ✓ Emotional Neglect
  - ✓ Educational Neglect
- Accidental vs. Inflicted Injuries

## Perpetrators of Child Abuse and Neglect

- Defining the People Who Commit Child Abuse
- Risk and Protective Factors
  - ✓ Risk Factors for Victimization – Individual
  - ✓ Risk Factors for Perpetration – Individual
  - ✓ Risk Factors for Perpetration – Family
  - ✓ Risk Factors for Perpetration – Community
  - ✓ Protective Factors – Family
  - ✓ Protective Factors – Community

## Role of Educators and Caregivers

- Responsibilities of Educators and Caregivers
- Discovery and Assessment
- Mandated Reporting
- Aftermath

## Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect

- What Else Can You Do to Help?
  - ✓ Advocate
  - ✓ Request Parenting Programs
  - ✓ Provide Support
  - ✓ Volunteer
- National Child Abuse Prevention Month

## New Jersey Policies and Procedures

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- Definitions of Abuse and Neglect in New Jersey
- Summary of Signs and Symptoms
- Responsibilities of Educators in New Jersey
- Reporting Child Abuse in New Jersey
  - ✓ Mandated Reporting in New Jersey
  - ✓ Third-Party Suspicion
  - ✓ What Happens After You Make the Report
- State of New Jersey Administrative Code
- Legal Issues

## Course Closing

- Final Thoughts
- Hotlines
- Resources for Professionals
- Course Completion