# **HOW TO REPORT ABUSE: KANSAS**

### **DISCLOSURE TIPS**

#### WHAT DO YOU SAY?

- An adult's reaction to disclosure plays an important role in the beginning of the healing process for the child.
- "I'm really glad that you told me."
- "It took a lot of courage to tell me."
- "It's not your fault."
- "We will work together to get you help."
- "I will need to tell some other people who help to protect children."

#### WHAT ARE THE CHILD'S NEEDS?

- Be careful not to make promises that you cannot keep. Do not promise you will not tell anyone.
- · Report immediately.
- Only speak to those who have to know – confidentially.
- Gentle honesty keep information age-appropriate and general.

### **INFORMATION NEEDED**

#### **HAVE THIS INFORMATION AVAILABLE:**

**WHO:** Who was involved?

WHAT: What occurred?

WHEN: When did it occur?

WHERE: Where did it occur?

**WHY:** Why did it happen (what were the circumstances surrounding the event)?

## **MAKE A REPORT**

Teachers are mandatory reporters of suspected abuse.

If you believe a child is in immediate danger, call 911.

To make a report of suspected abuse please call the Kansas Protection Report Center (KPRC) 1-800-922-5330. Or you can report online by visiting the following link to access an online mandated reporter form: https://fw7.harmonyis.net/KansasLiveWebIntake/.

For more information on reporting visit: http://www.dcf.ks.gov/services/PPS/Pages/KIPS/KIPSWebIntake.aspx