

## **Exceptions**

Under California law, health practitioners are required to make a report to local law enforcement if medical services are provided for a physical condition to a patient/victim whom the practitioner knows or reasonably suspects is suffering from (1) a wound or physical injury inflicted by a firearm or (2) any wound or physical injury the result of assaultive or abusive conduct.<sup>1</sup>

Additionally, under California law, all Employees, including those Employees who do not have a duty to report, are mandatory child abuse and neglect reporters<sup>2</sup> and are required to report incidents involving victims under 18 years of age to local law enforcement.

Finally, some or all of these Employees may also have reporting obligations under California law to (1) local law enforcement in cases involving threats of immediate or imminent harm to self or others where disclosure of the information is necessary to prevent the threatened danger<sup>3</sup> or (2) to the court if compelled by court order or subpoena in a criminal proceeding related to the incident.

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<sup>1</sup> See Cal. Penal Code § 11160-11163.6

<sup>2</sup> See Cal. Penal Code § 11164-11174.3; also see District policy BP/AP 3518 CHILD ABUSE REPORTING

<sup>3</sup> See Cal. Evid. Code § 1024