

## **Acknowledgment of Elder/Dependent Adult Abuse Reporting Responsibilities**

Section 15630 of the Welfare and Institutions Code states:

“Any person who has assumed full or intermittent responsibility for care or custody of an elder or dependent adult, whether or not that person receives compensation, including administrators, supervisors, and any licensed staff of a public or private facility that provides care or services for elder or dependent adults, or any elder or dependent adult care custodian, health practitioner, or employee of a county adult protective services agency or a local law enforcement agency is a mandated reporter.”

“Any mandated reporter, who is in his or her professional capacity, or within the scope of his or her employment, has observed or has knowledge of an incident that reasonably appears to be physical abuse, abandonment, isolation, financial abuse, or neglect, or reasonably suspects abuse shall report the known or suspected instance of abuse by telephone immediately or as soon as practically possible, and by written report sent within two working days.”

Reports of elder and dependent adult abuse to persons in their own homes are to be made to the Kern County Aging and Adult Services Department, Adult Protective Services, 5357 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA 93309, (661) 868-1006 or toll free at (800) 277-7866. Both numbers are accessible 24 hours per day, seven days per week. FAX number for Aging and Adult Services is (661) 868-1001.

I have read the above. I understand my responsibilities to report and will comply with the reporting requirements.