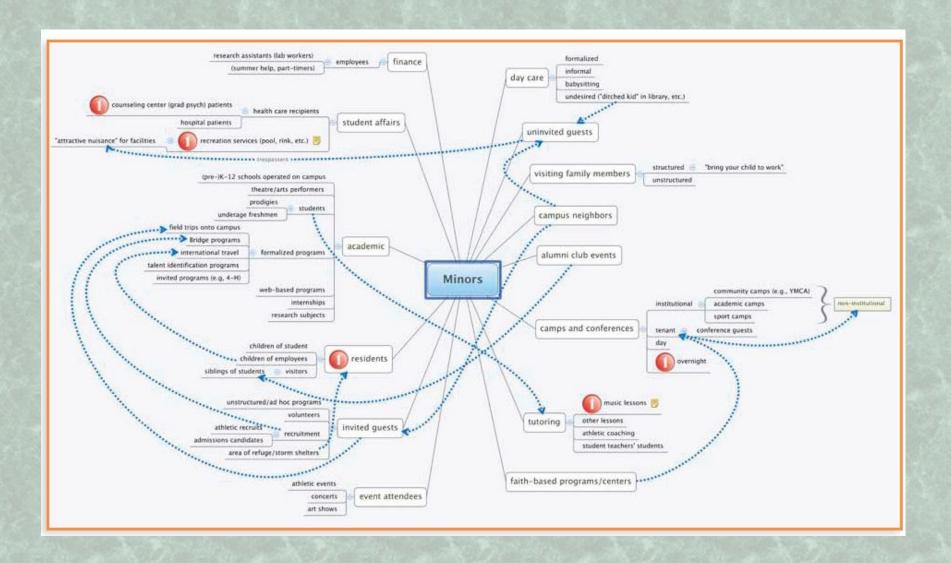


# Protecting Minors On Campus

Attendees were shown the following video during the session.

Shine a Light - Know the warning signs of sexual abuse of minors.

## Who are we worried about?



### Who are we worried about?

#### We invite them

- Campus recruiting
- Summer camps and other short term programs (arts, academic, athletic)
- School field trips
- Research protocols, clinical trials
- Schools and daycare
- Community service

#### They come with or visit family

- Visitors bring kids to museums, libraries, health clubs, public events, exhibits, concerts
- Athletic events
- Employees bring kids to campus
- Families visit students

## Who are we worried about?

- We rent our facilities to groups that invite them
  - Residence halls
  - Athletic facilities
  - Arts facilities
  - Weddings, parties, religious services

#### We go to them

- Community service
- Student teaching
- • Clinical placements
- • Externships

#### They invite themselves

- • Skateboarding and skating
- · Bikes
- Pools
- • Student centers and recreation facilities
- Food service

# Visiting Children and Minors Employees bringing their children to work Students bringing their children to class

- A parent or guardian must provide supervision at all times.
- Line of sight supervision of children by the parent or guardian is required at all times.
- Children should not be left unattended or with other employees.
- The parent or guardian must assure the minor or child is not disruptive to others and the situation should be brought to the attention of the parent or guardian.
- Children and Minors should not be allowed in high-risk areas such as:
  - Laboratories, shops, studios, mechanical rooms, power plants, garages, animal facilities, food preparation areas, high security areas;
  - Any areas, indoors or out, containing power tools or machinery with exposed moving parts;
  - In university boats, grounds equipment, motorized equipment; and vehicles except those assigned to the employee for commuting from home to campus or as part of a recognized university program;
  - Gymnasium, fitness center or other athletic or employment locker room, and
  - Any other high-risk areas (no playing in stairwells or doorways, no access to rooftops, construction zones, etc.).

# Who should issue a report?

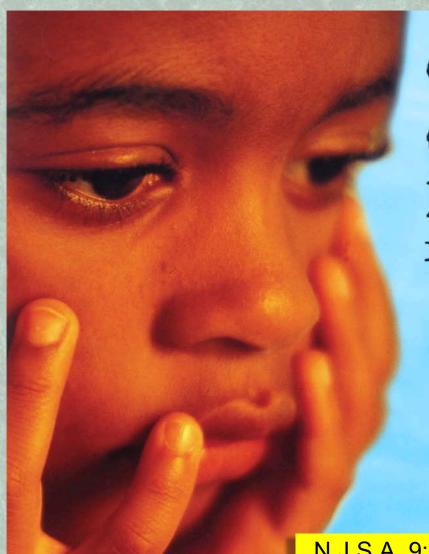
Absolutely Everyone

(anyone with reasonable cause to believe a child is being abused)

# Who should receive a report?

- New Jersey Child Abuse Hotline 1-877 NJ ABUSE
   (If the child is in immediate danger <u>also</u> call 911)
- Fairleigh Dickinson University Public Safety
  - Florham Campus 973 443 8888
  - Metropolitan Campus 201 692 2222

# ... in New Jersey



# Child abuse doesn't report itself.

Make The Call, Help A Child

1-877 NJ ABUSE

1-877-652-2873

TTY 1-800-835-5510

N.J.S.A. 9:6-1 et seq.

# Do callers have immunity from civil or criminal liability?

Any person who, in good faith, makes a report of child abuse or neglect or testifies in a child abuse hearing resulting from such a report is immune from any criminal or civil liability as a result of such action. All calls to the hotline can remain ANONYMOUS.

# What happens if you fail to report?

- You could be exposing a child or youth to additional danger.
- Any person who knowingly fails to report suspected abuse or neglect according to the law or to comply with the provisions of the law is a disorderly person.
- The University may treat the failure to report as a work rule violation.

# What information will I be asked to provide to the hotline screener?

- Whenever possible, a caller should provide all of the following information:
  - Who: The child and parent/caregiver's name, age and address and the name of the alleged abuser and that person's relationship to the child.
  - What: Type and frequency of alleged abuse/neglect, current or previous injuries to the child and what caused you to become concerned.
  - When: When the alleged abuse/neglect occurred and when you learned of it.
  - Where: Where the incident occurred, where the child is now and whether the alleged abuser has access to the child.
  - How: How urgent the need is for intervention and whether there is a likelihood of imminent danger for the child.

# What happens after I make the call?

When a report indicates that a child may be at risk, an investigator from the Division of Child Protection and Permanency (DCP&P) will promptly investigate the allegations of child abuse and neglect within 24 hours of receipt of the report.

# If I report abuse, will DCP&P call me and tell me what happened?

Probably not as DCP&P investigations are confidential. But please be assured that all allegations of abuse and neglect will be promptly investigated.

### What Is Child Abuse?

### **Four Categories**

#### **Physical**

Deliberate physical injury to a child, or the wilful or neglectful failure to prevent physical injury or suffering. This may include hitting, shaking, throwing, poisoning, burning or scalding, drowning, suffocation, confinement to a room or cot, or inappropriate giving drugs to control behaviour.

#### Sexual

Sexual abuse involves forcing or enticing a child to take part in sexual activities. The activities may involve physical contact, including penetrative or non-penetrative acts; non contact activities such as involving children in looking at, or in the production of, pornographic material or watching sexual activities, or encouraging children to behave in sexually inappropriate ways.

#### **Emotional**

The persistent emotional ill-treatment of a child such as to cause severe and persistent adverse effects on a child's emotional development. It may involve conveying to a child that he is worthless or unloved, inadequate, or valued only insofar as he meets the needs of another person.

#### **Neglect**

The persistent failure to meet a child's physical, emotional and/or psychological needs, likely to cause significant harm. It may involve a parent or carer failing to provide adequate food, shelter and clothing, failing to protect a child form physical harm or danger, failing to ensure access to medical care or treatment, lack of stimulation or lack of supervision.

# Who is the typical child molester?

☐ probably well known and liked by the parent and the child.
☐ can be a man or a woman, married or single.
☐ can be a child, adolescent or adult.
☐ can be of any race, hold any religious belief, and have any sexua
preference.
☐ can be a parent, stepparent, relative, family friend,
teacher, clergyman, babysitter or anyone
who comes in contact with children.
☐ likely a stable, employed, respected member of the community.
☐ education and intelligence doesn't prevent
them from molesting a child.

# Summer Camps/Clinics with Minors

- Mentoring programs that involve private instruction (laboratory, music instruction, etc.) when there is only one adult present must not take place in a room or other space that is not in full view from outside the room when the door is closed. A window opening must exist and allow full view into the room.
- Two-deep adult participation is required at all times. Two University adult leaders or one University leader and a parent of a participating minor, one of whom must be 21 years of age or older, are required to be present at all times.
- When instructing a minor privately, the parent or legal guardian should be required to remain on the premises for the duration of the instruction.
- Minors are accompanied at all times and not permitted to work alone as there may be a need to
  escort the participant out of the facility in the event of an emergency.
- When traveling away from campus for a University program, a parent or legal guardian, or other adult counselor travels in the group.
- Children / minors that are not family NEVER stay in the same room overnight with an employee of the University unless the child's parent is also in the room as the child.
- Male and female children / minors never assigned to sleep in the same room overnight unless accompanied by and with permission of all parents involved.
- Adults, children and minors NEVER use the same bathing or restroom facilities simultaneously.
  - Separately assigned facilities for adults, male minors / children and female minors / children are made available. If separate facilities are not possible the University leader will publish a schedule that enables individual privacy.

## Indicators Of Child Abuse / Neglect

#### **Physical Abuse**

#### Physical Indicators

- Unexplained bruises and welts
- Unexplained burns
- Unexplained fractures
- Unexplained laceration or abrasions

#### Behavioral Indicators

- Wary of adult contacts
- Apprehensive when other children cry
- Behavioral extremes:
  - Aggressiveness
  - Withdrawal
  - Frightened of parents
  - Afraid to go home
  - Reports injury by parents

#### **Physical Neglect**

#### Physical Indicators

- Consistent hunger, poor hygiene, inappropriate dress
- Consistent lack of supervision, especially in dangerous activities or long periods
- Constant fatigue or listlessness
- Unattended physical problems or medical needs
- Abandonment

#### Behavioral Indicators

(see next page)

Indicators Source - American Society for the Positive Care of Children http://americanspcc.org/indicators-childabuse/

#### Physical neglect (continued)

#### Behavioral Indicators

- Begging, stealing food
- Extended stays at school (early arrival and late departure)
- Constantly falling asleep in class
- Alcohol or drug abuse
- Delinquency (e.g. thefts)
- States there is no caregiver

#### **Emotional Maltreatment**

#### Physical Indicators

- Habit disorders (sucking, biting, rocking, etc.)
- Conduct disorders (antisocial, destructible, etc.)
- Neurotic traits (sleep disorders, speech disorders, inhibition of play)

#### Behavioral Indicators

- Behavior extremes:
  - Compliant, passive
  - Aggressive, demanding

#### Overly adoptive behavior:

- Inappropriately adult
- Inappropriately infant

#### Sexual Abuse

#### Physical Indicators

- Difficulty in walking or sitting
- Torn, stained or bloody underclothing
- Pain or itching in genital area
- Bruises or bleeding in external genitalia, vaginal or anal areas
- Venereal disease, especially in pre-teen's
- Pregnancy

#### Behavioral Indicators

- Unwilling to change for gym or participate in Physical Education
- Withdrawn, fantasy or infantile behavior
- Sophisticated or unusual sexual behavior or knowledge
- Poor peer relationships
- Delinquent or run away
- Reports sexual assault by caregiver