

# Child Maltreatment Recognition & Response



## Agenda

- 10 Things to Know about Child Abuse
- 10 Things Faith Communities can do about Child Abuse
- Child Abuse Scenarios
- Top Theological Distortions

## Web Resources

- ELCA guidance on Child Protection [A Social Message on Child Protection](#)
- Zero Abuse Project [Center for Faith & Child Protection](#)
- CDC [About Child Abuse and Neglect](#)
- RAINN [Statistics: Children & Teens - RAINN](#)
- FaithTrust Institute [FaithTrust Institute](#)
- Children's Advocacy Center [The Center for Family Safety and Healing](#)
- Unnamed No More, A Safe Church Initiative [Home | Unnamed No More](#)

## Ohio Revised Code 2151.421

### Reporting Child Abuse or Neglect ORC 2151.421

24-hour Child Abuse Hotline: 614-229-7000

#### When do we call?

- A reasonable cause to suspect abuse, neglect, or sexual assault of a child under the age of 18, and under the age of 21 with a developmental disability or physical impairment

#### Who is mandated?

- Cleric and anyone acting in an official or professional capacity of leadership role within the church.

#### Who to call?

- Police (where the offense took place) OR Children Services (where the child resides) OR number above

#### What info should we have ready?

- Name, address of child, child's parents, child's age, nature and extent of injuries, abuse, or neglect