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**Course Title:** Abuse - Child for PA Mandatory Reporters

**Target Audience:** OT/OTA

**Course Length:** 2 hours

**Course Author/Instructor:** Saporito, DC

**Educational Level:** Introductory, Intermediate, Advanced

**Course Objectives:**

At the conclusion of the course, participants will be able to:

- Cite statistics on the scope of child abuse in Pennsylvania
- Define the term child
- Define the term perpetrator
- Differentiate the commission of abuse from failure to act
- Explain the religious exemption to neglect
- Describe the effects of domestic violence on children in the home
- Compare and contrast Child Protective Services and General Protective Services
- List the responsibilities of the Child Protective Services agencies
- Explain the goals of General Protective Services
- Outline the investigative process that occurs once a report is filed
- Indicate the additional procedures involved when the alleged perpetrator is a school or child services employee
- Define mandatory reporter and permissive reporter
- Explain the reporting requirements of mandatory reporters
- Outline the process of making a report of suspected abuse – *Childline*
- Summarize the suspension of privileged communication and the exemptions
- Define Presumption of Good Faith
- Explain the granting of immunity to mandatory and permissive reporters
- List the penalties for failure to report suspected child abuse by mandatory reporters
- List signs of abuse and neglect
- Explain the appropriate history and examination components in cases of suspected abuse and neglect

## **Outline of Content:**

### **Hour #1**

Pennsylvania Child Abuse Recognition and Reporting Training for Mandated Reporters

Introduction

What is the definition of child abuse or neglect?

Child Welfare in Pennsylvania

Child Protective Services

### **Hour #2**

General Protective Services

Mandatory Reporters

Reporting Requirements

Permissive Reporters

Privileged Communication

What are the signs of abuse and neglect?

### **Instructional Methods and Formats:**

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### **Course Completion Requirements:**

A minimum passing score of 100% is required for course completion. You will have as many attempts as needed until your passing score of 100% is achieved. Upon successful completion of course, you will receive your certificate of completion and AOTA eligible CEUs.

### **AOTA Classification Codes:**

Category 1: Domain of OT

Category 2: Occupational Therapy Process

Category 3: Professional Issues

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