

Monroe Livingston Region Program Agency

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To: All EMS Providers

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Re: Advisory 10-17: Mandated Child Abuse/Neglect Reporting

All EMS Providers in New York State are considered mandated reporters in the setting of concern for child abuse or neglect. Mandated reporting does not require proof of abuse/neglect occurring, just a reasonable suspicion that a child is in danger. State guidelines require that the person with the concern make the report. Therefore, reporting concerns to Emergency Department providers is not sufficient; the EMS provider with the concern must make the report themselves.

Please use the following numbers to report such concerns:

Within Monroe County: 585 461-5690. This number will automatically forward to the State Hotline during non-business hours.

Outside Monroe County: NYS Hotline 800 342-3720

Thank you for remaining vigilant as we protect the health and safety of our vulnerable populations. With any questions, do not hesitate to contact the Regional Program Agency.