



Responding to a Child's Disclosure

A one-page guide for parents, teachers and trusted adults.

Say this

"I believe you."

"You did the right thing by telling me."

"This is not your fault."

Then do this

- ☐ Stay calm and listen without interrupting.
- ☐ Ask only what is necessary for immediate safety. Do not investigate further yourself.
- ☐ Write down the child's own words, the date, and what you observed.
- ☐ Contact an appropriate protection professional, medical service or police based on urgency.
- ☐ Do not confront the person the child has named.