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## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR MANDATORY DUTY TO REPORT Pharmacist**

### **Introduction**

As a Delaware-licensed healthcare provider, you have mandatory duties to report under Delaware law. The purpose of this information sheet is to explain the mandatory duties to report that apply to your profession.

To apply for a license or to renew a license with the Delaware Division of Professional Regulation, you will be required to certify that you understand each mandatory duty to report explained below. Note that, when appropriate, the Division may keep your identity confidential.

### **Mandatory Duty to Report Medical Practitioners**

Delaware law *mandates* you to report a medical practitioner when you reasonably believe that the practitioner is (or may be) guilty of unprofessional conduct or unfit to practice ([24 Del. C. §1731A](#)). The term medical practitioner means anyone who is licensed by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline, including physicians, physician assistants, respiratory practitioners, acupuncture practitioners, and genetic counselors. Unprofessional conduct is explained in [24 Del. C. §1731](#).

You must file your report with the Division of Professional Regulation within 30 days of becoming aware of the information. The law imposes a \$10,000-\$50,000 fine for non-compliance ([24 Del. C. 1731A \(i\)](#)). For information on filing a report, go to the Division's website at [www.dpr.delaware.gov](http://www.dpr.delaware.gov) and click *File a Complaint*.

The law allows the Division to keep your identity confidential. It also affords immunity from civil or criminal prosecution for good faith reporting ([24 Del. C. 1731A \(g\)](#)).

### **Mandatory Duty to Report Child Abuse**

Delaware law also *mandates* you to make an immediate oral report to the Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families when you know of, or suspect, child abuse or neglect under Chapter 9 of Title 16 of the *Delaware Code* and to follow up with any requested written reports ([16 Del. C. §903](#)).

You may report child abuse or neglect by calling the Department's 24-hour child abuse and neglect hotline at (800) 292-9582. The Department will notify the Division of Professional Regulation of child abuse allegations.

### **Mandatory Duty to Self-Report**

Delaware law also *mandates* you to *self report* when:

- your license to practice as a Pharmacist in another jurisdiction has been subject to discipline, or has been surrendered, suspended, or revoked, or
- you have been convicted of a crime that is substantially related to the practice of pharmacy [24 Del. C. §2515 \(a\)\(8\)](#).

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