Sexual violence and child abuse are crimes committed against a person’s will. These crimes can be committed by anyone, including family members, caregivers, and others who are supposed to care for children. Child sex abuse can include many different forms of maltreatment, such as physical abuse, emotional abuse, sexual abuse, and neglect.

Sexual abuse involves any activity that is sexual in nature, including forced sexual acts, sexual coercion, and sexual exploitation. Child sexual abuse can take many forms, such as rape, incest, and child pornography.

Emotional abuse involves psychological or emotional harm to a child. This can include verbal threats, belittling, or physical punishment.

Neglect involves the failure to provide a child with basic needs, such as food, clothing, shelter, or medical care.

Child abuse and neglect can have serious long-term effects on a child’s physical and emotional health. It can also affect a child’s ability to form healthy relationships later in life.

In Oregon, child abuse and neglect are crimes. If you suspect that a child is being abused or neglected, you should report it to the appropriate authorities.

The Child Abuse Hotline is a confidential service that can help you report suspected cases of child abuse or neglect. It is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and your report will be kept confidential.

If you are aware of any cases of child abuse or neglect, please report it immediately. Protecting the safety and well-being of children is everyone’s responsibility. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of children who are at risk.

Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-656-HOPE

If you are in immediate danger, please call 911 or contact the police.

Remember, your report will be kept confidential and your information will be used only to protect the child.

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