

Cross Reporting: The 2005 Legislation changed statutory requirements related to cross reporting of child abuse reports between the two agencies, in order to better identify priority reports. This rule change is based on SB94. This rule change is necessary in order to be consistent with statute.

Assessment and Medical Examination: Based on SB198 legislation a child victim of abuse, fifteen years or older, may have a “personal representative” with them during a CPS assessment and LEA investigation. This rule amendment will reflect this language in Oregon Administrative Rule.

Interviewing: Based on HB2335 legislation; Child Welfare is responsible for providing information, briefly explaining the parent/caregivers rights, what a CPS assessment entails, and the Court process involved, to all parents/caregivers subject of a CPS assessment. Legislation states if a parent/caregiver agrees to voluntarily leave his/her home during a CPS assessment, Child Welfare is to notify the District Attorney’s office, in writing within three business days. This rule amendment will reflect this language in Oregon Administrative Rule.

Disposition: The 2005 Legislation added language to the mandatory reporting statute. The new language reads “Unlawful exposure to a controlled substance, as defined in ORS 475.005, that subjects a child to a substantial risk of harm to the child’s health or safety.” This rule amendment will reflect this language in Oregon Administrative Rule.

Implementation/Transition Instructions: This rule is the same rule that has been effective since 01/01/06. There are no changes. This rule has expired as a temporary rule and is now permanent.

Training/Communication Plan: Training to these changes as well as other statutory changes occurred statewide. The training was provided prior to these rules being effective 01/01/06. There will be no additional training provided at this time. But support is and clarification is available from the CPS consultants.

Local/Branch Action Required: Continue to follow the administrative rule.

Central Office Action Required: Continue to support and follow the administrative rule.

Field/Stakeholder review: Yes No

If yes, reviewed by: These rules have been open for review/comment since 01/01/06.

Filing Instructions: N/A

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