



NATIONAL LINK COALITION

*Working together to stop violence  
against people and animals*

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## Cross Reporting by Reporter *(as of 6/21/2017)*

### Reporting by CHILD PROTECTION/DCF/SOCIALWORKERS

**CPS/DHS/Social Workers  
MANDATED  
to report animal abuse**

**Connecticut\*\* , D.C.\*\* , Illinois\*\* , Louisiana, Nebraska, Tennessee,  
West Virginia\*\***

**CPS/DHS/Social Workers  
PERMITTED  
to report animal abuse**

California, Florida, Maine, Massachusetts, Oregon

### Reporting by ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL OFFICERS

**Animal Care/Control  
MANDATED to report  
child abuse/neglect**

California, Colorado, **Connecticut\*\* , D.C.\*\* , Illinois\*\*** , Maine, Ohio,  
Virginia, **West Virginia\*\***

**Animal Care/Control  
PERMITTED to report  
child abuse/neglect**

Maine

**Animal Care/Control  
MANDATED to report  
elder abuse**

California

\*\* = States with full two-way cross-reporting between child protection/animal control-humane. No data exist on utilization or enforcement.

### Reporting by ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES

**Adult Protective Services  
MANDATED to report animal abuse**

Louisiana, Nebraska, Tennessee, West Virginia

**Adult Protective Services  
PERMITTED to report animal abuse**

California

## Reporting by VETERINARIANS

### Veterinarians Mandated to Report Animal Cruelty:

Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Illinois, Kansas, Maine (only aggravated cruelty), Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania (if committed by another veterinarian), West Virginia, Wisconsin

### Veterinarians Permitted to Report Animal Cruelty:

Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Maine (cruelty and neglect), Michigan, Mississippi, Nevada, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia (veterinary technicians as well), Washington

### Veterinarians Prohibited from Reporting Animal Cruelty

Kentucky

### Veterinarians Mandated to Report Child Abuse/Neglect:

California, Colorado, Pennsylvania (as health professional if comes into contact with child in course of profession)

### Veterinarians Mandated to Report Elder Abuse:

Illinois

### Nothing Specified Regarding Veterinary Reporting:

Alaska, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Iowa, Louisiana, Montana, New Jersey, New Mexico, Ohio, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Wyoming

## Universal Reporting of Child Abuse/Neglect

**States in which EVERYONE is a mandated reporter of child abuse:** Delaware, Florida, Idaho, Indiana, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Wyoming

## Universal Reporting of Elder Abuse/Neglect

**States in which EVERYONE is a mandated reporter of elder abuse:** Missouri, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Utah, Wyoming