

How to Report Abuse or Neglect in Connecticut

Disability Rights Connecticut (DRCT) is not a protective services agency. By contacting DRCT, you are NOT fulfilling any mandated reporting requirements.

Please see below for a list of appropriate contacts:

- ❖ To report the abuse or neglect of a child under the age of 18:

Contact the [Department of Children and Families \(DCF\)](#): 1-800-842-2288

- ❖ To report the abuse or neglect of a person with an Intellectual Disability between the ages of 18-59 who participates or lives in programs funded or licensed by the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and who receives support or services from DDS:

Contact the [Abuse Investigation Division](#): 1-844-878-8923

(After Hours Emergency number): 1-844-612-4221

- ❖ To report abuse or neglect of a person aged 60 or older:

Contact [Protective Services for the Elderly](#): 1-888-385-4225

*Unfortunately, there are no protective services in the state of Connecticut for individuals between the ages of 18-59 who do not have an intellectual disability. You may choose to contact your local police department.

- ❖ To report abuse or neglect of a person by a home health care worker and/or agency:

The [State Department of Public Health](#) provides a free hotline for consumer complaints involving *Home Health Care Agencies*. 1-800-828-9769

To file a written complaint or to get information:
State Department of Public Health – Div. of Health Systems Regulation
410 Capitol Ave MS#12, HSR PO BOX 340308, Hartford, CT 06134-0308.

- ❖ To report abuse or neglect of a person living in a nursing home, residential care facility or assisted living community:

Contact the [Long Term Care Ombudsman's Office](#): 1-866-388-1888
1-860-424-5200

- ❖ To report the misuse of Social Security disability benefits by a representative payee:

Contact the [Office of the Inspector General](#): 1-800-269-0271



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