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HOW TO REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE OF MINORS

FOR DIOCESE OF CROOKSTON CLERGY, CHURCH PERSONNEL AND VOLUNTEERS

If you receive an allegation or suspect sexual abuse of minors by:
PARISH/SCHOOL PERSONNEL OR VOLUNTEER (LAY PERSON)

STEP 1 >

Report to Local Law Enforcement

- Within 24 hours
- Follow directions from law enforcement
- Document

STEP 2 >

Call Child Protection

- Within 24 hours
- Follow directions
- Document

STEP 3 >

Notify the Bishop's Delegate (218-281-4224)

- Within 24 hours
- Document

Bishop's Delegate:

- Notify Bishop
- Notify Pastor
- Confirm Law Enforcement were contacted
- Document the notification and file with complaint
- Make sure victim has Victim Assistant Coordinator contact info

Pastor:

- Complete documentation of report and action taken

If you receive an allegation or suspect sexual abuse of minors by:
CLERGY (BISHOP*, PRIEST, DEACON)

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Bishop's Delegate:

- Notify Bishop
- Notify Cleric
- Remove from ministry
- Notify Parish Trustees
- Make sure victim has Victim Assistant Coordinator contact info
- Refer to Ministerial Review Board

* If the allegation involves the Bishop, in addition to the applicable notifications set forth above, the Catholic Bishop Reporting Service will be utilized. Learn more at www.crookston.org/victims.