**Reporting Suspicion of Child Abuse**

**Adopted from Commit to Kids:** for external reporting procedures regarding this type of incident:

**External Reporting Procedure:** If a child is believed to have been abused, the obligation under law is to report the incident to the child’s parent, a child welfare agency and/or a law enforcement agency. Failure to report may constitute an offence under the Manitoba Child Welfare Act. Additionally, it may constitute professional misconduct for an individual in a position of trust or an ethical violation for individuals who are registered with professional associations. This duty to report applies even if the information is told in confidence. PDF Resource on sexual abuse reporting: **https://commit2kids.ca/pdfs/C2K\_StepsForReportingChildAbuse\_CAC\_en.pdf**