



WASHINGTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Protection of Minors Policy -- Acknowledgement

By signing my name below, I am confirming that I have received and read a copy of the WCHS Policy on the Protection of Minors.

I understand that if I reasonably suspect or observe any child maltreatment, I will immediately take the following steps:

1. I will first call the Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-482-5964 and report my reasonable suspicion or observation. I understand that the Child Abuse Hotline is open 24 hours per day.
 - a. In a non-emergency situation only, I may obtain a report form from http://www.arkansas.gov/reportARchildabuse/report_child_abuse.html and submit it by fax to 1-501-618-8952.
2. After reporting to the Child Abuse Hotline, I will then immediately notify the President of WCHS, who will initiate consideration of appropriate response measures to be undertaken by WCHS.
 - a. In the event the President is unavailable, I will notify the First Vice President for Membership or the First Vice President for Finance.

I understand that child maltreatment that must be reported includes abuse, sexual abuse, neglect, sexual exploitation, or abandonment.

I further understand that WCHS desires to protect minors on our property and in connection with our programs.

I understand that immediate action is essential for the protection of children. Under Ark. Code Ann. § 12-18-401(b), a person, acting in good faith, who makes a report of suspected maltreatment, is immune from civil or criminal liability for making the report. Likewise, WCHS prohibits retaliation against any person who makes a good-faith report of child maltreatment.

Signed By: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____