

ChildLine is live with an online system. This means that EMS providers are able to report suspected abuse or neglect, as well as obtain ChildLine child abuse background clearances, online.

It is important to note that **all EMS providers** are mandated reporters of suspected child abuse and neglect. To report suspected child abuse or neglect, a mandated reporter can now report in one of the two following ways:

1. Via Phone
  - A) By contacting the Department of Human Services (formerly Department of Public Welfare) by calling ChildLine at **1-800-932-0313**. When you call, you will speak to a trained intake specialist who will interview you and guide you through the reporting process.
  - B) In addition to calling ChildLine, a reporter must also fill out the [CY 47 form](http://www.paemsc.org/assets/files/CY47%20Form.pdf) (<http://www.paemsc.org/assets/files/CY47%20Form.pdf>) within 48 hours of the report and submit it to the county Children and Youth Agency. A fillable electronic version of the form can be found [here](https://reportsuspectedabuse.com) (<https://reportsuspectedabuse.com>).
2. By making a report online using the following link: <https://www.compass.state.pa.us/CWIS>

Additionally, ChildLine child abuse background clearances can now also be obtained in one of two ways:

1. By submitting the [CY 113](http://www.paemsc.org/assets/files/cy113.pdf) (<http://www.paemsc.org/assets/files/cy113.pdf>) form via mail to the Department of Human Services' ChildLine Verification Unit. The fee associated with the clearance must be paid by money order or business/agency check. DHS does not accept cash or personal checks.
2. By submitting online using the following link: <https://www.compass.state.pa.us/CWIS>. Aside from allowing individuals to submit for clearances, the online system will allow organizations to set up business accounts to purchase child abuse history clearance payment codes and distribute those codes to applicants. When an applicant uses a code given to them by an organization, the organization will have access to the applicant's child abuse history clearance results once they are processed.

It is highly recommended that EMS providers, who are mandated reporters, complete on-line training, in respect to PA Act 31 of 2014. A recommended course can be found by accessing the following website, registering, and participating in the on-line presentation.

[https://www.reportabusepa.pitt.edu/webapps/portal/execute/tabs/tabAction?tab\\_tab\\_group\\_id= 2\\_1](https://www.reportabusepa.pitt.edu/webapps/portal/execute/tabs/tabAction?tab_tab_group_id= 2_1)

When you complete this on-line training, you will have the opportunity to print a certificate. You can submit that certificate, along with a con-ed by endorsement form (found at the bottom of this web page: <http://www.emsi.org/continuing-education-0>) and submitting to EMSI.

Information on PA Act 31 of 2014 can be found at the following website:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/Legis/LI/uconsCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&yr=2014&sessInd=0&smt hLwInd=0&act=31>