

## The Oregon Child Abuse Hotline to be in effect this April

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A daily, year-round child abuse hotline will be in effect on Monday, April 8 for Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington counties, according to the District Manager at the Oregon Child Abuse Hotline, Kristen Khamnohack, per the March 2019 ORCAH newsletter. The hotline will also be in effect in Tillamook, Clatsop and Columbia counties on Monday.
"The remaining districts in the state will transition to 24/7/365 over the month of April to allow for more time to train staff and stabilize ORCAH workload while Districts finalize their after-hours [Child Protective Services] response plans. ORCAH will provide 24/7/365 service to the entire state by the end of April," Khamnohack stated in the newsletter.

A representative from the Oregon Child Abuse Reporting phone line in Portland said the new hotline number is 971-673-7112, which will be
operational on Monday, April 8. The toll-free number, 1-855-503SAFE (7233), is still accessible for reporting abuse to the Oregon Department of Human Services, but it is not as direct as the new ORCAH.

For more information, go to the Oregon Child Abuse Hotline page: https://www.oregon.gov/DHS/ABOUTDHS/Child-Safety-Plan/Pages/projectG-centralized-hotline.aspx.

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