CPS CAN HELP REMOVE BARRIERS AND PROVIDE CONCRETE GOODS

TRANSPORTATION: RIDES, BUS PASSES, GAS CARDS, COMMUNICATION: PHONE/ MINUTES, GROCERIES, CLOTHING. ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH AND CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY SERVICES, UA'S, ORGANIZATIONAL NEEDS, CALENDARS, HELP MEET DEADLINES, ASSIST WITH PAPERWORK AND SCHEDULING APPOINTMENTS, BUDGETING, MOBILITY, TRAUMA HISTORY, TRIGGERS, HOUSING STABILITY, CHILDCARE, CULTURAL CONSIDERATIONS, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES. PARENTING CLASSES, CRIMINAL ISSUES, RELATIVE PLACEMENT SEARCHES ETC







CONCERNED ABOUT A CHILD REPORT:

1-866-363-4276

PHYSICAL ABUSE, SEXUAL
ABUSE, PSYCHOLOGICAL HARM
INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED
TO HARM CAUSED BY BEING
SUBJECTED /EXPOSED TO
FAMILY VIOLENCE AND
MEDICAL AND DENTAL
NEGLECT

ANY PERSON INVOLVED IN THE DELIVERY OF ANY HEALTH OR SOCIAL SERVICE ON THE LUMMI RESERVATION, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO SOCIAL WORKERS, EDUCATION WORKERS, COMMUNITY HEALTH REPRESENTATIVES. DOCTORS, NURSES, PSYCHOLOGISTS, PSYCHIATRISTS, COUNSELORS, POLICE OFFICERS OR OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, OR OTHER PERSON WHO HAVE REASONABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE THAT A CHILD HAS SUFFERED CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT SHOULD IMMEDIATELY REPORT SUCH INCIDENCES TO THE ABOVE END HARM LINE.

It is not the referrer's responsibility to have all the facts or to investigate, but to call in concerns. If the concerns meet a threshold they will be investigated – you do not need to know for sure if any abuse or neglect has occurred – and you can not be held liable for making a report in good faith.

LUMMI CHILD WELFARE

CPS DIVISION



The goal of CPS is to protect children from child abuse and /or Neglect while preserving the family's integrity and cultural identity to the maximum extent possible, consistent with the safety and permanency needs of the children.

Cps is available on a 24-hour basis.

CPS has two different pathways for screened in reports

1. Investigation Response

- Determine whether child abuse or neglect occurred
- Identify who is responsible for the alleged abuse or neglect
- A finding will be made whether child abuse or neglect did occur, and this may affect future employment with children and vulnerable adults

2. Family Assessment Response

- Support families when they are in crisis without finding parents responsible for abuse and neglect
- Help them to connect with their communities
- Most FAR cases close within 45 days

Both Investigation and FAR CPS social workers

- Work with families to keep children safe
- Identify family needs
- Build on parent and community strengths and resources
- Find services to ease stressful situations that make it hard to focus on children's needs



Our goal is to keep families together where possible

Our mission is to team up with parents and their families to safety plan and network with resources available to mitigate any identified risks and identify strengths, Parents will be asked to do the work and we will provide supports to guide and assist them in meeting the goals identified.

Children in Need of Protection

Definition of a "child in need of protection" is a child who:

- (a) has no parent, guardian, or custodian available, willing, and/or capable to care for the child;
- (b) has suffered or is likely to suffer significant physical injury as the result of abuse or neglect;

- c) who has suffered, or is likely to suffer, significant psychological or emotional damage as the result of abuse or neglect;
- (d) has been sexually abused or sexually exploited as defined in the Lummi Code of Laws:
- (e) has committed a crime or engaged in activity which would constitute a crime if committed by an adult, as a result of parental pressure, guidance, approval or other conduct.
- (f) has not been provided adequate food, clothing, shelter, medical care, or education, or care and control by the child's parent, guardian, or custodian, which is necessary for the child's health, safety, or well-being, and the deprivation is not due to the lack of financial resources available to the parent, guardian, or other custodian;
- (g) has been placed at an unreasonable risk to the child's health or welfare by failure of the parent, guardian, or custodian to intervene to eliminate that risk when that person has or should have knowledge of the risk
- (h) has been born addicted or exposed to alcohol, a controlled substance, or any other drug harmful to the physical or mental welfare of the child;
- (i) has witnessed significant domestic violence and the child's parent, guardian or custodian has failed to eliminate the risk of the child witnessing that domestic violence when that person has or should have knowledge of that risk; or
- (j) has been beyond the reasonable control of the parents or legal guardians, and acted in ways that placed the child's health and welfare at risk.