

Child Protection Additional Resources

Reporting Hotlines & Cyber Crime

Childline (in Pennsylvania)

To report suspected child abuse
1-800-932-0313

Cyber Tipline

1-800-843-5678

Use the "tipline" to report inappropriate or suspicious online activity and the sexual exploitation of children. Run by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (www.missingkids.com)

Meagan's Law website

<http://www.pameganslaw.state.pa.us/> List all registered sexual predators in Pennsylvania

National Child Abuse Hotline

1-800-4-A-CHILD

TDD, for the hearing impaired: 1-800-2-A-CHILD

www.childhelpusa.org

This hotline's staff answers questions, gives advice and provides information regarding reporting abuse and other related topics. Trained counselors are available at no cost 24 hours a day to talk with callers on a confidential basis.

National Center for Missing & Exploited Children

<http://www.missingkids.com>

Offers information about how to report missing children and tips on how to protect children online.

National Runaway Hotline

1-800-231-6946

This hotline has trained counselors available 24 hours a day to help families of runaway youth.

National Sexual Assault Hotline; Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network

1-800-656-HOPE

www.rainn.org

This is the nation's largest anti-sexual assault organization. They have counselors available 24 hours a day and will connect callers to local sexual assault resource centers.

Child Abuse/Child Protection Information

<http://www.darknesstolight.org> Many resources. Download the excellent publication *7 Steps to Protecting Our Children*

<http://www.yellodyno.com/html/parent.html> Teaches children how to protect themselves from people who mean them harm.

<http://www.preventchildabuse.org/publications/parents/index.shtml> Short articles on various topics for parents about child protection from Prevent Child Abuse America.

http://www.missingkids.com/missingkids/servlet/PageServlet?LanguageCountry=en_US&PageId=218
Articles on a series of topics for parents from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

www.parentsanonymous.org This national organization encourages all parents to ask for help early, whatever the circumstances, to break the cycle of child abuse.

<http://www.usccb.org/ocyp> Official site of the Office of Child and Youth Protection of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

<http://www.teenpcar.com> Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape website designed for teens. Excellent information, videos, and links for teens regarding sexual assault, sexual harassment, dating and sexual assault, etc.

<http://pennstatehershey.org/sites/childabuse> Collaborative web site of the Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital, Department of Humanities and the Center on Children and the Law of the Penn State Dickinson School of Law. web site is designed to be a repository of information regarding child abuse and neglect.

Internet Safety Info for Parents

<http://www.cyberangels.org> Excellent Cyber-Safety Guide

<http://www.isafe.org> i-safe America Inc. is the worldwide leader in Internet safety education. Founded in 1998 and endorsed by the U.S. Congress, i-SAFE is a non-profit foundation dedicated to protecting the online experiences of youth everywhere.

<http://www.safekids.com/> Many resources. A nonprofit public service providing "kid-tech news" for parents and educators in more than 50 countries

<http://www.netsmartz.org/netparents.htm> Provides on- and offline learning activities for parents to facilitate discussions with their children and teens about Internet safety.

<http://www.fbi.gov/publications/pguide/pguidee.htm> *Parent's Guide to Internet Safety* from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

<http://www.getnetwise.org> Tools for parents and educators

<http://www.staysafe.org> Tools for parents and educators

<http://www.aap.org/healthtopics/mediause.cfm> American Academy of Pediatrics offers guidelines for regulating children's use of the Internet and other media

<http://onguardonline.gov/index.html> Provides people with practical tips from the federal government and the technology industry to help them be on guard against Internet fraud, secure their computers and protect their personal information

<http://www.microsoft.com/protect/family/age/stages.mspx> A parent's guide to online safety. Includes ages and stages.

<http://zilladog.com/> Provides easy and affordable e-mail accounts designed specifically for kids with the protection and controls parents want. Focused toward kids ages 7 to 13, spam-free.

...For Kids & Teens

<http://www.netismartzkids.org/indexfl.htm> Interactive site for **elementary children** designed to teach internet safety.

<http://www.fbi.gov/kids/k5th/safety2.htm> Safety tips for **elementary children** from the FBI.

<http://pbskids.org/license/> Interactive game for **elementary children** from PBS to teach children internet safety

<http://www.safeteens.com/> A place for **teens and parents** to learn how to use the Internet safely. No preaching, just good advice.

<http://www.netismartz.org/netteens.htm> Interactive site for **teens** designed to teach internet safety.

<http://www.mcgruff.org/#/Main> Site for children that deals with bullying

Internet Filtering Software

<http://www.consumerreports.org/cro/electronics-computers/internet-filtering-software-605/overview.htm>

<http://internet-filter-review.toptenreviews.com/>

<http://www.consumersearch.com/www/software/parental-control-software/index.html>

Media Information

<http://www.parentstv.org/> Parent's Television Council – a non-partisan educational organization advocating responsible entertainment

http://www.parentfurther.com/technology-media/facts/facts_childadv.shtml Search Institute information for parents – Technology & Media

<http://www.catholicnews.com/movies.htm> Rating Guide from the U.S. Bishops

<http://www.common sense media.org/movie-reviews?qclid=CNDOz-PI-qICFd8B5wodDHPizw> Rating Guide for Parents for TV, Movies, Video Games, etc.

<http://www.safekids.com/cell-phone-safety-tips/> Cell Phone Safety Tips

<http://www.aap.org/healthtopics/mediause.cfm> American Academy of Pediatrics offers guidelines for regulating children's use of the Internet and other media

Miscellaneous Information

<http://www.nsopr.gov/> National Sex Offender Public Website

<http://www.deadlygameschildrenplay.com/en/home.asp> Games Adolescents Shouldn't Play (GASP)

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