

INVESTIGATION OF SEXUAL ABUSE ALLEGATIONS

In the event of an allegation of sexual abuse the following is used to ensure referrals of allegations are investigated:

- a. HYCF ensures that an administrative investigation and a referral for criminal investigation are completed for all allegations of sexual abuse and sexual harassment with the limitation that any criminal referral for sexual harassment must meet a criminal standard. [\[§115.322a\]](#)
- b. If an allegation of sexual abuse or sexual harassment involves potentially criminal behavior, the allegation shall be immediately referred to a county law enforcement agency. [\[§115.322b\]](#)
- c. County law enforcement shall abide by their own policy governing how criminal investigations of sexual abuse are conducted. HYCF does not manage criminal investigations for sexual abuse or criminal sexual harassment. [\[§115.322c,d\]](#)
- d. HYCF does not have any Department of Justice component responsible for conducting administrative or criminal investigations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment in juvenile facilities at present. [\[§115.322e\]](#)