



## **Affirmation of Compliance with SUNY's Child Protection Policy Requirements**

All RF employees (faculty, staff, students) and others working on sponsored or approved research projects that involve minor children or utilizing campus facilities to host events or activities that include minor children, must conduct themselves appropriately in the presence of children, affirm that they have reviewed the SUNY Child Protection Policy, and agree to abide by the SUNY Policy and the specific requirements listed below.

### **Required conduct by a Covered Person**

A Covered Person must:

- receive training
  - Complete mandatory training as a group or individual
- undergo any required background checks
- wear proper identification (ID) at all times while they oversee a covered activity where the custody, control and supervision of children is vested in them. The ID must:
  - be prominently displayed at all times during the covered activity (via a lanyard or clipped to clothing)
  - identify the individual as a covered person in the specific program
  - be event specific (name and date)
  - include name and photo
- remove a child from abuse
  - immediately remove a child from potential or actual physical abuse, sexual abuse, or any conduct prohibited by the Child Protection Policy
- report suspected abuse
  - immediately report any suspected physical abuse or sexual abuse of a child to the campus University Police Department (716-878-6333)

### **Prohibited conduct by a Covered Person**

A Covered Person is prohibited from:

- engaging in 1-on-1 interactions with a minor, except in limited circumstances
  - in no event can a covered person be alone with the child in a restroom, locker room, shower, sleeping area or vehicle
  - covered persons cannot be alone with a child unless:
    - the covered person is a relative or guardian of the child
    - 1-on-1 contact is pre-approved by the campus when pedagogical or health-related circumstances apply

- engaging in physical or sexual abuse of a child
- using alcohol or illegal drugs (or be under the influence of alcohol or drugs) during a covered activity
- enabling, facilitating or failing to address a child’s use of alcohol or illegal/non-prescription drugs
- contacting a child for the purpose of engaging in prohibited conduct
  - covered persons cannot contact a child through electronic media, including social media, for the purpose of engaging in any prohibited conduct, including sexual conduct
- offering or making a gift to a child for the purpose of engaging in prohibited conduct (including sexual conduct)
- releasing a child from a covered activity without written authorization from the parent/guardian

**Obligation to Report**

- inappropriate conduct must be reported to the Responsible Buffalo State official: the project director, principal investigator, and/or the individual’s immediate supervisor
- individuals who witness or receive a report of child abuse, or who reasonably believe such abuse has occurred, must report the abuse to the University Police (716-878-6333) immediately and to the Equity and Diversity Office (716-878-6210)

I affirm that I have reviewed this document as well as all Child Protection Training materials and will follow all requirements.

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Name of Project or Sponsored Activity

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Signature/Date

Date Received at SPO: \_\_\_\_\_