

Sexual Abuse in Child Care Institutions

Part 3

Procedures to follow in response to child sexual abuse in an institution

It is mandatory to report child sexual offences to the nearest police stations. Individuals/institutions failing to do so are punishable under POCSO



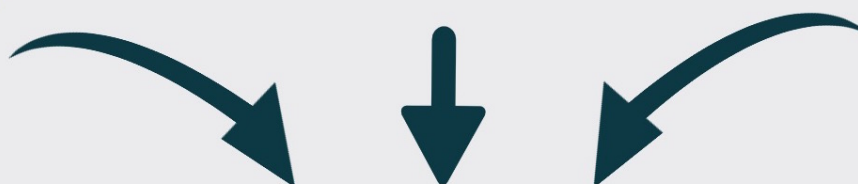
Talk to the child in detail. Refer the child to a counsellor



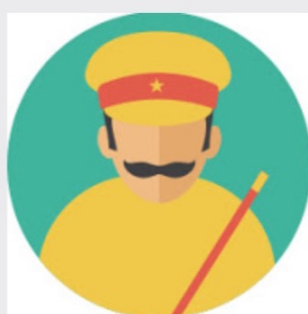
Inform higher authorities within or outside the institution



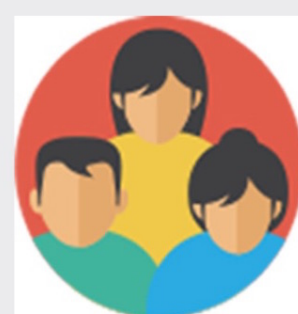
Inform the District Women & Child Development Officer (WCDO)



The child to be taken for medical examination to the nearest hospital in presence of trusted adult



Inform the police station or Special Juvenile Police Unit (SJPU) nearest to where the child is currently residing



Inform the Child Welfare Committee of the district. POCSO mandates the police to inform the CWC