



26 | diagnosed by a mental health professional licensed under chapter  
 27 | 490 or chapter 491.

28 | Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section  
 29 | 39.201, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

30 | 39.201 Mandatory reports of child abuse, abandonment, or  
 31 | neglect; mandatory reports of death; central abuse hotline.—

32 | (1)(a) Any person who knows, or has reasonable cause to  
 33 | suspect, that a child is abused, abandoned, or neglected by a  
 34 | parent, legal custodian, caregiver, or other person responsible  
 35 | for the child's welfare, as defined in this chapter, or that a  
 36 | child is in need of supervision and care and has no parent,  
 37 | legal custodian, or responsible adult relative immediately known  
 38 | and available to provide supervision and care shall report such  
 39 | knowledge or suspicion to the department in the manner  
 40 | prescribed in subsection (2). For purposes of the mandatory  
 41 | reporting requirements in this section, child abuse includes any  
 42 | harm or mental injury as those terms are defined in s. 39.01.

43 | Section 3. The Board of Psychology within the Department  
 44 | of Health shall revise the requirements for renewal of a license  
 45 | to practice psychology, pursuant to s. 490.007, Florida  
 46 | Statutes, to require continuing education regarding child  
 47 | psychological abuse, including, but not limited to, abuse  
 48 | through the use of manipulation or parental alienation.

49 | Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.