

**Required Mandated Reporter training and certification for camp staff
December 21, 2016**

Reminder that this coming summer all your staff and volunteers who work directly with campers need to have completed the Mandated Reporter training course and be certified by the state. The two most common ways of accomplishing this are:

1. Have each person individually take the course online and at the conclusion of the training, pass a test: if they fail the test they can immediately retake the test for as long as it takes to pass it. Here is a link to the course and test.

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ocfs/ec/occhs/documents/MandatedReporterOnlineAUG2016.pdf>

2. Or you can make the necessary arrangements with a state **volunteer** Mandated Reporter Trainer to come to your camp and do a two-hour workshop for your staff (free). At the end of the workshop, all attendees are certified by a stroke of the pen – no test needs to be taken. Here is a link to the Mandated Reporter Trainer

List. <http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ocfs/cps/trainer-contact.html>

It is the camp's responsibility to make sure that all of their staff are certified Mandated Reporters and are recertified every FOUR years