



WATERLOO REGIONAL
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BOARD

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CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

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Policy of the Board

1. It is the policy of the Waterloo Regional Police Services Board with respect to child abuse and neglect investigations that the Chief of Police will:
 - a. in partnership with the local Crown, Family and Children's Services, municipalities, school boards and other appropriate service providers, including hospital staff, work to establish a committee to develop a local strategy to prevent, and respond to complaints of, child abuse and neglect;
 - b. develop and maintain procedures on and processes for undertaking and managing child abuse and neglect investigations;
 - c. enter into a child abuse protocol with Family and Children's Services with respect to investigations into complaints of child abuse and neglect, and the sudden unexpected death of any child; and
 - d. if the alleged child abuse fits the definition of a major case, require officers to comply with the procedures set out in the Ministry's designated *Ontario Major Case Management Manual*.