What You Need to Know about Counseling

If a psychological counselor has reason to suspect, on the basis of their professional judgment that a child is or has been abused, they are required to report their suspicions to the authority or government agency vested to conduct child abuse investigations.

Psychological counselors are required to make such reports even if they do not see the child in their professional capacity.

Psychological counselors are mandated to report suspected child abuse if anyone aged 14 or older tells them that he or she committed child abuse even if the victim is no longer in danger.

Psychological counselors are also mandated to report suspected child abuse if anyone tells them that he or she knows of any child who is currently being abused.