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Policy:

In compliance with the above regulations, all direct service providers must develop and implement a comprehensive child abuse prevention program that integrates prevention concepts into all aspects of the program. The child abuse prevention program must include the following:

- Education for all Head Start children in regards to personal safety
- Education for parents on positive behavior guidance
- System of training for all staff that includes:
 - positive behavior guidance
 - techniques and strategies to address stressful situations and workplace burnout
 - signs and indicators of child abuse and neglect
- Policies and procedures for reporting suspected child abuse and/or neglect when it involves program staff or in the home.