

**HALTON REGIONAL POLICE SERVICES BOARD**

**ADEQUACY STANDARDS POLICY DOCUMENT**

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**1. Child Abuse and Neglect (pursuant to O. Reg. 3/99 and PSM Guideline No. LE-027)**

- 1.1 It is the policy of the Halton Regional Police Services Board to ensure that child abuse and neglect investigations are undertaken and managed.
- 1.2 To support this policy, the Chief of Police will:
- a) in partnership with the local Crown, Children’s Aid Societies, 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 the local Children’s Aid Societies 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*.