Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse and/or Neglect: A Liability Concern?

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As you are hopefully aware, nurses are among the health care providers who are required to report a good faith belief or suspicion that a child has been abused or neglected. This mandate is included in the state statute that governs the reporting (such as a Child Abuse and Neglect Act). In addition, state nurse practice acts list a failure to report such abuse or neglect as a ground for discipline of the nurse licensee.