

## **CHAPTER 400 – HEALTH and SAFETY**

### **BABIES CAN'T WAIT STANDARD**

Healthy, safe conditions are required to promote the growth and development of each child and the productive functioning of each employee.

- A. Per Local Health District policy, if applicable each service provider shall ensure that they and their staff and sub-contractors are free from communicable and contagious disease.
- B. Each service provider shall act as a mandated reporter for suspected child abuse and/or neglect according to the DPH policy/regulations.
- C. Each service provider should be aware of the local procedures for reporting suspected child abuse and neglect. Each agency should consider an annual in-service training program by a local child protection worker or supervisor. Signs and symptoms of child abuse and reporting procedures for suspected child abuse and neglect should be reviewed at this time.