

Call the **Hotline** for
free **help** about **abuse**

 **1800 880 052**



The Hotline is a place that people with disability can call for help about abuse.

The Hotline is open every day
(including Saturday and Sunday)
from **8am** until **8pm**.

ONE DAY IN THE GROUP HOME -



- 1** Kim got hit by a support worker in her group home.

KIM TOLD HER FRIEND JANE...

- THAT SUPPORT
WORKER HIT ME!

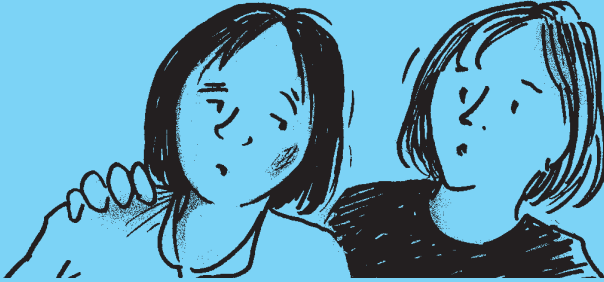
- WHAT?!



- 2** Kim told her friend Jane about getting hit.

JANE SAID THAT GETTING HIT
WAS ABUSE -

-YOU CAN CALL
THE HOTLINE
FOR
HELP



- 3** Jane said that getting hit is abuse. Jane told Kim she could call the Hotline for help.

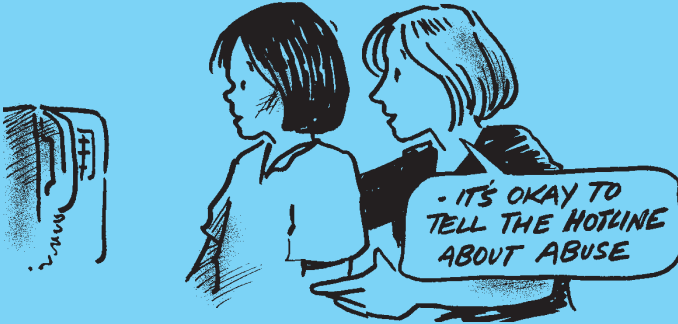
KIM WAS AFRAID TO CALL THE
HOTLINE

'...I MIGHT
GET INTO
TROUBLE..'



- 4** Kim was afraid to call the Hotline. She thought she would get in trouble.

JANE SAID THAT THE HOTLINE
WOULD KEEP HER STORY PRIVATE



5 Jane said the Hotline would keep her story private. Jane said it was OK to tell the Hotline about abuse.

JANE HELPED KIM PHONE THE
HOTLINE...



6 Jane helped Kim call the Hotline. Kim told the Hotline about getting hit.

MARY WORKS AT
THE HOTLINE

HOTLINE

... I'M WRITING
YOUR STORY
DOWN, KIM...



7 Mary works at the Hotline. Mary told Kim she was writing her story down.

MARY TOLD KIM'S STORY TO
THE GOVERNMENT....

GOVERNMENT



8 Mary told Kim's story to the government.

THE GOVERNMENT CHECKED
THE GROUP HOME



9 The government checked the group home.

MARY ALSO TOLD KIM THAT SHE
COULD GET HELP FROM
AN ADVOCATE CALLED
ANN ...

- ANN HELPS
PEOPLE WITH
DISABILITY
STAND UP
FOR
THEIR
RIGHTS



10 Mary also told Kim that she could get help from an advocate called Ann. Ann helps people with disability stand up for their rights.

MARY CALLED KIM BACK IN THREE MONTHS TO SEE IF EVERYTHING WAS ALL RIGHT...



11 Mary called Kim back in three months to see if everything was all right.



12 Kim said that she was safe now because the support worker had left her group home.

You can call the **Hotline** yourself or you can ask someone you **trust** to call the **Hotline** for you:

- a family member
- a friend
- an advocate
- a doctor or nurse.

You don't have to tell the **Hotline** your name if you don't want to. The **Hotline** will keep your story **private**.



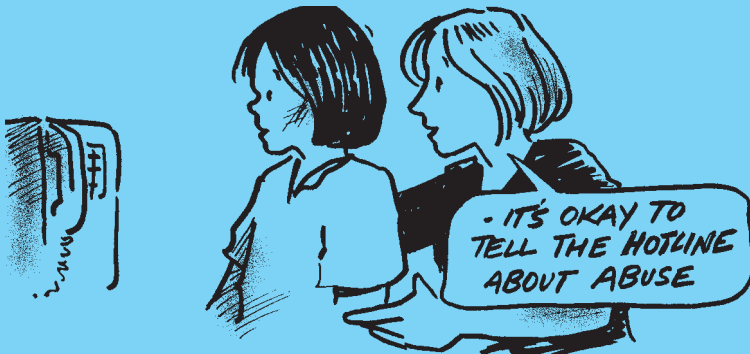
Getting hit is one kind of abuse. Other kinds of abuse are:

- Someone yells at you or calls you bad names.
- Someone stops you from seeing your friends.
- Someone locks you in your room.
- Someone spends your money when you don't want them to.
- Someone touches your private parts when you don't want them to.
- Someone says they will help you but doesn't give you the things you need such as:
 - food
 - medicine
 - clean clothes
 - safety
 - a home.

Abuse can make you feel
afraid and upset.

If abuse happens to you, call
the **Hotline** or ask someone you
trust to call the **Hotline** for you.

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If someone is hurting you and you
need help quickly call the **Police**.

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Other ways you can contact the **Hotline**



Send a letter to:
Locked Bag 2705
Strawberry Hills NSW 2012



Send an email to:
enquiries@disabilityhotline.org



Send a fax to: **02 9318 1372**



Call on a TTY (for deaf people):
1800 301 130

To use the National Relay Service
call **1800 555 677** and ask
them to call the Hotline for you.

For an interpreter who speaks
another language call **13 14 50** and
ask them to call the Hotline for you.



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