E.D.PROTOCOL

Examine the safety of the patient. Can you see weapons in the background of the video? Does the child appear to be suffering from a potentially fatal injury or illness? Note the acuity of the situation. Do everything you can to make the child feel safe and heard because it can be scary and overwhelming.



Notify the proper authorities as outlined by mandatory reporting laws, including law enforcement and/or children's services. Hospital or facility staff should follow their organization's policy for contacting local law enforcement. In the absence of a policy, or when the situation presents immediate danger, call 9-1-1. Make sure the microphone is off and you are off camera when you make the call. Ask law enforcement how long it will be until an officer arrives.

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Document everything that transpired in the patient's chart, including what time police were called, who contacted them, and what signs and indicators made you suspect the child may be a victim of human trafficking.

