

FEMALE CIRCUMCISION

Female circumcision is not an appropriate medical practice under any circumstance and if performed by a physician, represents professional misconduct. If a physician is aware of a proposal to perform female circumcision on a child, the incident must be reported pursuant to the requirement to report child abuse set forth in The Child and Family Services Act.

REFERENCE:

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which members shall comply.**