Federal law does currently mandate reporting by healthcare providers of suspected human trafficking of patients **UNDER 18** (as child abuse per Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act); no mandated reporting for 18 and over.

**Sex trafficking:** the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, obtaining, patronizing, or soliciting of a person for the purpose of a commercial sex act that is induced by force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to perform such act has not attained 18 years of age

**Labor trafficking:** the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery

Delaware **does mandate immediate reporting** by all healthcare providers to the Division of Family Services and local law enforcement in all cases in which a child is known or in good faith suspected to be a victim of child abuse or neglect. To initiate reporting, contact the Child Abuse and Neglect Report Line for the Department of Services for Children, Youth, and Their Families. An immediate oral report must be made by telephone or otherwise.

**18 and over:**
Delaware **does not mandate reporting** of trafficking of adults unless patient is a vulnerable adult protected under APS (call 1-888-277-4302 within 24hrs). All other reporting should only be done with either patient consent or per HIPPA Privacy Rule regulations, if concern for imminent harm.