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WHAT TO DO ABOUT

BULLYING

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IF YOUR CHILD IS A TARGET:

- 1. LISTEN TO YOUR CHILD
- 2. BE PATIENT & SUPPORTIVE
- 3. PROVIDE INFORMATION
- 4. EXPLORE STRATEGIES TO INTERVENE

If the behavior hurts or harms them, either emotionally or physically, and they have a hard time defending themselves, it is bullying.

QUESTIONS TO ASK

- Did the child hurt you on purpose?
- Who did you sit by at lunch?
- You seem to be feeling sick
 a lot and want to stay home.
 Can you tell me about that?
- Are kids making fun of you?
- Has anyone ever touched you in a way that did not feel right?

1 in 4 children in America are bullied.

Children who are bullied are more likely to develop depression and anxiety disorders

WARNING SIGNS

- Negative View of School
- Physical Symptoms
- Low Self-Esteem
- Depression
- Suicidal Thoughts
- Anxiety
- Dropping Grades

REACTIONS TO AVOID

- Telling the child to stand up to the bully.
- Telling the child to ignore and avoid the bully.
- Taking matters into your own hands.