

## **Sample Script for Talking with Children / Youth**

Below is a sample script to guide you in talking about the abuse report with your children...

*“I want to talk to you about something announced at church. An older kid shared that when they were younger, an older person in the church touched them in a way that was not okay and was really uncomfortable for them. It’s never okay for someone to touch you or any other kid without your permission or in a way that makes you feel uncomfortable.”*

If they are a little older, you might say,

*“an older person touched them in their private area”  
“an older person touched them sexually”*

### **Source**

*This material was prepared by Kelly Miller, LMHC at KAM Counseling in Brookline, MA. Kelly is a psychotherapist who has experienced working with traumatized children in hospital, residential and outpatient settings. She can be reached by email at [kellymillerlmhc@gmail.com](mailto:kellymillerlmhc@gmail.com) or by phone at 617-444-9353 if you have any questions or need further support. The information on this document is intended as a guide and is not intended or implied to be a substitute for professional medical advice, diagnosis or treatment.*