

UNACCOMPANIED CHILDREN "WELLNESS CHECKS"



What is happening?

- Immigration officials are appearing at the homes of some children who entered the U.S. as unaccompanied children (under 18, without a parent or guardian), stating they are conducting "wellness checks."
- They are not police or child protective services.
- They demand to enter homes, take photos of residents' documents, and collect information.
- They are not presenting judicial warrants to enter homes. Without a judicial warrant, officers can enter only with the consent of the residents.
- If immigration officials appear at your' home or leave a notice outside the door, you may follow the instructions on the following page and immediately inform their lawyer.
- If immigration officials call, you may ask immigration to call the child's lawyer.
- If the child does not have a lawyer, call a trusted provider for guidance before giving information.



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Defend Yourself: At Home

- Stay **calm**.
- **Do not open** the door, including if they say they are looking for someone else. ICE lies.
- **Do not answer any question**, exercise your right to remain silent. But if you decide to respond, do not lie.
- **Do not sign** any document.
- If you are undocumented, **do not show any document** that demonstrates your nationality.
- If ICE enters the home, say, **"I do not consent to you in my home."**
- If it feels safe to do so, **record the event** on your cell.
- Paste this information on the interior of your door as a reminder.

*Exercising your rights will not always prevent arrest, but exercising your rights will help your defense against deportation.

**To obtain more information
by video, scan here:**

