

Section 751.10 - Incident reporting

751.10 incident reporting. (a) Any incident required to be reported pursuant to subdivision (b) of this section shall be reported to the alternative delivery systems program director in the appropriate area office of the Office of Health Systems Management. The center shall conduct an investigation of incidents described in paragraphs (b)(1)-(3) of this section.

(b) Incidents to be reported are:

(1) patient deaths or patient transfers to a hospital;

(2) fires in the center or other occurrences which disrupt the provision of patient care services or cause harm to patients or staff;

(3) equipment malfunction during treatment or diagnosis of a patient which adversely affected a patient or center personnel;

(4) termination of any services vital to the continued safe operation of the center or the health and safety of its patients and personnel, including but not limited to the anticipated or actual termination of electric, gas, fuel, water or heat; and

(5) strikes by center staff.

(c) Reporting procedures to be followed are:

(1) Diagnostic and treatment centers shall report such incidents by telephone within 24 hours of when the incident occurred or when the center has reasonable cause to believe that such an incident occurred.

(2) The center shall give written notification within five days of the initial notification of the incident. The written notification of the incident shall inform the appropriate alternative delivery systems program director of the department's Office of Health Systems Management of the expected completion date of the investigation.

(3) In no instance shall the investigation take longer than 45 days from the date of the incident.

(4) The center shall provide a copy of the investigation report to the program director within 24 hours of completion.

(d) This section does not replace other reporting required by this Chapter. (e) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the department from investigating any incident included in this section prior to the final facility report as required by this section.