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Title 44@ Department of Health

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Article 44:73@ Nursing facilities

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Chapter 44:73:01@ Rules of general applicability

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Section 44:73:01:07@ Reports

## **44\_73\_01\_07 Reports**

Each facility shall fax, email, or mail to the department the pertinent data necessary to comply with the requirements of all applicable administrative rules and statutes.

Any incident or event where there is reasonable cause to suspect abuse or neglect of any resident by any person shall be reported within 24 hours of becoming informed of the alleged incident or event. The facility shall report each incident or event orally or in writing to the states attorney of the county in which the facility is located, to the Department of Social Services, or to a law enforcement officer. The facility shall report each incident or event to the department within 24 hours, and conduct a subsequent internal investigation and provide a written report of the results to the department within five working days after the event.

Each facility shall report to the department within 24 hours of the event any death resulting from other than natural causes originating on facility property such as accidents or suicide. The facility shall conduct a subsequent internal investigation and provide a written report the results to the department within five working days after the event.

Each facility shall report a missing resident to the department within 48 hours. The facility shall conduct a subsequent internal investigation and provide a written report the results to the department within five working days after the event.

Each facility shall also report to the department as soon as possible any fire with

damage or where injury or death occurs; any partial or complete evacuation of the facility resulting from natural disaster; or any loss of utilities, such as electricity, natural gas, telephone, emergency generator, fire alarm, sprinklers, and other critical equipment necessary for operation of the facility for more than 24 hours.

Each facility shall notify the department of any anticipated closure or discontinuation of service at least 60 days in advance of the effective date.

Each facility shall report to the department any unsafe water samples for pools or spas.