

## **77137 Unusual Occurrences**

### **(a)**

Unusual occurrences shall be reported by the facility, within 24 hours, either by telephone with written confirmation, or by telegraph to the county mental health director and the Department.

### **(b)**

An unusual occurrence report shall be retained on file by the facility for three years.

### **(c)**

The facility shall furnish other pertinent information related to such occurrences as the county mental health director or the Department may require.

### **(d)**

A facility admitting a patient exhibiting a physical injury or presenting a condition caused by neglect shall immediately notify a physician and request a physical examination of the patient. If, in the opinion of the examining physician, the injury or condition appears to be the result of neglect or abuse, the facility shall report such fact by telephone, and in writing, within 24 hours of the patient's admission, to the Department, the local police authority having jurisdiction, and the county mental health department. Written reports in the patient's health record shall state the character and extent of the physical injury or condition.

### **(e)**

Every fire or explosion which occurs in or on the premises shall be reported immediately to the local fire authority, or in areas not having an organized fire service to the State Fire Marshal.

**(f)**

All suspected criminal acts in or on the premises by or against patients, employees or visitors shall be reported to the local police authority and the Department within 24 hours.