

WAC 246-841-720 Mandatory reporting. (1) All reports required by this chapter shall be submitted to the department as soon as possible, but no later than twenty days after a determination is made.

(2) A report should contain the following information if known:

(a) The name, address, and telephone number of the person making the report.

(b) The name and address and telephone numbers of the nursing assistant being reported.

(c) The case number of any patient whose treatment is a subject of the report.

(d) A brief description or summary of the facts which gave rise to the issuance of the report, including dates of occurrences.

(e) If court action is involved, the name of the court in which the action is filed along with the date of filing and docket number.

(f) Any further information which would aid in the evaluation of the report.

(3) Mandatory reports shall be exempt from public inspection and copying to the extent permitted under RCW 42.17.310 or to the extent that public inspection or copying of the report or any portion of the report would invade or violate a person's right to privacy as set forth in RCW 42.17.255.

(4) A person is immune from civil liability, whether direct or derivative, for providing information to the department pursuant to RCW 18.130.070.

(5) The administrator, executive officer, or their designee of any nursing home shall report to the department of health when any nursing assistant under chapter 18.130 RCW is terminated or such person's services are restricted based on a determination that the nursing assistant has committed an act or acts which may constitute unprofessional conduct as defined in RCW 18.130.180 or that the nursing assistant may be mentally or physically impaired as defined in RCW 18.130.170.

(6) The administrator, executive officer, or their designee of any nursing home shall report to the department of health when any person practices, or offers to practice as a nursing assistant in the state of Washington when the person is not registered or certified in the state; or when a person uses any title, abbreviation, card, or device to indicate the person is registered or certified when the person is not.

(7) The department of health requests the assistance of responsible personnel of any state or federal program operating in the state of Washington, under which a nursing assistant is employed, to report to the department whenever such a nursing assistant is not registered or certified pursuant to this act or when such a nursing assistant has committed an act or acts which may constitute unprofessional conduct as defined in RCW 18.130.180 or may be mentally or physically impaired as defined in RCW 18.130.170.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.88A.050, 18.130.050 and 18.130.080. WSR 92-02-018 (Order 224), § 246-841-720, filed 12/23/91, effective 1/23/92. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.70.040. WSR 91-02-049 (Order 121), recodified as § 246-841-720, filed 12/27/90, effective 1/31/91. Statutory Authority: RCW 18.130.070. WSR 89-14-092 (Order PM 842), § 308-173-020, filed 6/30/89.]