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Brief Description: Requiring notification when injuries result from health care. Revised for 1st Substitute: Requiring notice of potential injuries resulting from health care.

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(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Requires every health care provider to inform each patient, or an individual identified pursuant to RCW 7.70.065(1), in person about adverse incidents that result in serious harm to the patient. Notification of outcomes of care that result in harm to the patient under this provision shall not constitute an acknowledgment or admission of liability, nor can such notifications be introduced as evidence.

Provides that an appropriately trained person designated by each hospital shall inform each patient, or an individual identified pursuant to RCW 7.70.065(1), in person about adverse incidents that result in serious harm to the patient. Notification of outcomes of care that result in harm to the patient under this provision shall not constitute an acknowledgment or admission of liability, nor can it be introduced as evidence.