

CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION ABOUT AN ADVERSE EVENT NOTIFICATION FORM

RCW 70.56.020 states that a when a medical facility confirms that an adverse event has occurred, it shall submit to the Washington State Department of Health: Notification of the event, with the date, type of adverse event, and any contextual information the facility chooses to provide, within forty-eight hours.

Any public disclosure of an adverse event notification must include any contextual information the medical facility chose to provide under RCW 70.56.020(2) (a)

Completing this form is optional. This form may accompany the Adverse Event Notification Form and may be used to provide contextual information. This form may be faxed to the Department of Health (360-236-2901) or mailed to DOH Adverse Events, PO Box 47852, Olympia, WA 98504.

Facility Name: Seattle Children's Hospital

Date of Event Confirmation: 07/10/2008

Adverse Event: 27. Significant injury of a patient resulting from a physical assault (i.e. battery) that occurs within or on the grounds of a healthcare facility.

Facility contact name and phone number: Jennifer Seymour, Director, Public Relations, 206-987-5207

Facility website: <http://www.seattlechildrens.org/>

Facility Capacity (beds, birthing rooms, units, stations) 250 beds

Total number of annual facility patient days, visits, other: FY07 - 67,900 patient days, 177,000 ambulatory visits, 33,800 emergency visits

Total number of annual procedures performed (indicate type): FY07 - 10,800 surgical, cardiac, nephrology and solid organ transplant

Additional information: This incident involved a patient-on-patient assault. We undertook a full root cause analysis and developed an extensive action plan to address the causes of this event. The action steps include improved plans for assessing the potential for aggression and development of intervention plans to deal with escalation and aggressive behavior.

This is confidential and protected quality improvement information per RCW 4.24.250 and 70.41.200. Please protect this information and share it only with those who are directly involved in the Quality Improvement process.