

**WAC 246-16-245 Mandatory reporting—Reports by health care institutions.** (1) This section applies to:

(a) Hospitals and specialty hospital defined in chapter 70.41 RCW;

(b) Ambulatory surgery facilities defined in chapter 70.230 RCW;

(c) Childbirth centers defined in chapter 18.46 RCW;

(d) Nursing homes defined in chapter 18.51 RCW;

(e) Chemical dependency treatment programs defined in chapter 70.96A RCW;

(f) Drug treatment agencies defined in chapter 69.54 RCW; and

(g) Public and private mental health treatment agencies defined in RCW 71.05.020 and 71.24.025.

(2) The chief administrator or executive officer or designee of these institutions must report when:

(a) A license holder's services are terminated or restricted because a license holder has harmed or placed at unreasonable risk of harm a patient or client; or

(b) A license holder poses an unreasonable risk of harm to patients or clients due to a mental or physical condition.

(3) Reports made by a hospital according to RCW 70.41.210 meet the requirement.

(4) Commencing July 1, 2009, reports made by an ambulatory surgical center according to RCW 70.230.110 meet the requirement.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 18.130.070 and 18.130.060. WSR 08-08-066, § 246-16-245, filed 3/31/08, effective 5/1/08.]