

State of California

WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

Section 4659.2

4659.2. (a) For the purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

- (1) "Physical restraint" means any behavioral or mechanical restraint, as defined in Section 1180.1 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (2) "Chemical restraint" means a drug that is used to control behavior and that is used in a manner not required to treat the patient's medical conditions.
- (3) "Seclusion" means involuntary confinement of a person alone in a room or an area as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 1180.1 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (4) "Long-term health care facility" means a facility, as defined in Section 1418 of the Health and Safety Code, that is required to report to a regional center pursuant to Section 54327 of Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations.
- (5) "Acute psychiatric hospital" means a facility, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section 1250 of the Health and Safety Code, including an institution for mental disease, that is a regional center vendor.
- (6) "Regional center vendor" means an agency, individual, or service provider that a regional center has approved to provide vendored or contracted services or supports pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 4648.
- (b) (1) All regional center vendors that provide crisis or residential services or supported living services, long-term health care facilities, and acute psychiatric hospitals shall report to the agency designated pursuant to subdivision (i) of Section 4900 all of the following:
- (A) Each death or serious injury of a person occurring during, or related to, the use of seclusion, physical restraint, or chemical restraint, or any combination thereof.
- (B) Any unexpected or suspicious death, regardless of whether the cause is immediately known.
- (C) Any allegation of sexual assault, as defined in Section 15610.63, in which the alleged perpetrator is a staff member, service provider, or facility employee or contractor.
- (D) Any report made to the local law enforcement agency in the jurisdiction in which the facility is located that involves physical abuse, as defined in Section 15610.63, in which a staff member, service provider, or facility employee or contractor is implicated.
- (2) The reports described in paragraph (1) shall be made no later than the close of the business day following the death or serious injury. The report shall include the encrypted identifier of the person involved, and the name, street address, and telephone number of the facility.

- (c) (1) On a monthly basis all regional center vendors that provide crisis or residential services or supported living services, long-term health care facilities, and acute psychiatric hospitals shall report to the agency designated pursuant to subdivision (i) of Section 4900 all of the following:
- (A) The number of incidents of seclusion and the duration of time spent per incident in seclusion.
- (B) The number of incidents of the use of behavioral restraints and the duration of time spent per incident of restraint.
- (C) The number of times an involuntary emergency medication is used to control behavior.
- (2) The reports required pursuant to paragraph (1) shall include the name, street address, and telephone number of the facility.

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