



DOMESTIC ABUSE REPORTING REQUIREMENT

California Penal Code §11160 requires all health practitioners employed by UCLA Health to make an immediate report to a local law enforcement agency when in their professional capacity or within the scope of their employment, they provide medical services for physical conditions to patients who they know or reasonable suspect to be persons described as follows:

1. Any patient whose wound or injury was inflicted by his/her own act, by means of a firearm.
2. Any patient whose wound or injury was inflicted by someone else, by means of a firearm.
3. Any patient whose wound or injury is the result of assaultive/abusive conduct.

State law requires that an immediate telephone report be made to local law enforcement followed by a written report sent within (2) working days of receiving the information concerning the incident.

A health practitioner is defined as a: physician, surgeon, psychiatrist, psychologist, resident, intern, dentist, podiatrist, chiropractor, licensed nurse (LVN's and RN's), dental hygienist, optometrist, social worker or any other person who is currently licensed under the Business and Professional Code §500 et seq.; any marriage, family and child counselor, marriage, family and child counselor trainee or unlicensed marriage, family and child counselor registered intern; a psychological assistant; emergency medical technician I or II, paramedics or any other person certified pursuant to Health and Safety Code §1797 et seq.; state or county public health employee; coroner, medical examiner, or any other person who performs autopsies; and religious practitioners (P.C.§11165.7)

Note: Clinical Social Workers are not mandated reporters subject to this abuse reporting requirement because they do not provide medical services in this context. Clinical Social Workers may assist the other health practitioners who are mandated reporters with the reporting process, as explained in UCLA Health System Policy.

The law provides that any health practitioner shall not incur either civil or criminal liability for any report required to be made under the law.

Failure to report an incident as defined above constitutes a misdemeanor and is punishable by up to six (6) month's imprisonment or a maximum fine of \$1,000 or both fine and imprisonment.

Reports made under the law are confidential and may be disclosed only to the agencies specified by law.

I certify that I have read and understand this statement and will comply with my obligations under this reporting law.

Print Name

Date

Signature

A Member of the UCLA Health Network