

WAC 246-320-151 Reportable operational or maintenance events.

The purpose of this section is to outline each hospital's responsibility for reporting serious events that affect the operation and maintenance of the facility.

(1) Hospitals must notify the department within forty-eight hours whenever any of the following events have occurred:

(a) A failure or facility system malfunction such as the heating, ventilation, fire alarm, fire sprinkler, electrical, electronic information management, or water supply affecting patient diagnosis, treatment, or care within the facility; or

(b) A fire affecting patient diagnosis, treatment, or care within the facility.

(2) Each notice to the department must include:

(a) The hospital's name;

(b) The event type from subsection (1) of this section; and

(c) The date the event occurred.

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