



# WESTSIDE REGIONAL CENTER

Date: March 13, 2017

To: Service Providers/ Vendors including:  
Crisis Intervention Facility (Service Code 090)  
Residential Services (905, 910, 915, 113)  
Supported Living Services (896)  
Long-term Health care Facilities (925, 930, 935, 114)  
Acute Psychiatric Hospitals (700)

From: Mary Lou Weise-Stusser, Director of Community Services

Re: Expanded Reporting Requirements due to Enactment of AB1606

This correspondence is being sent to communicate to the service providers in the categories listed above, new, expanded reporting requirements for special incidents. Developmental Services Budget Trailer Bill, Assembly Bill (AB) 1606 was enacted June 27, 2016. AB 1606 expands special incident reporting requirements for regional center vendors that provide crisis or residential services, supported living services, long-term health care and acute psychiatric hospitals. These reporting requirements are in addition to the special incident reporting requirements noted in Title 17, California Code of Regulations, Section 54327 and vendors must still continue to report special incidents to Westside Regional Center (WRC).

Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) 4659.2 (b) was amended and requires vendors of these services and facility types to report to Disability Rights California (DRC) (i.e. designated agency per WIC 4900 (i)), all of the following:

- 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.
- Any unexpected or suspicious death, regardless of whether the cause is immediately known.
- 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.
- 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.

**Reports shall be made no later than the close of the business day when the death or serious injury occurred,** and must include the encrypted identifier<sup>1</sup> of the person involved, and the name, street address, and telephone number of the facility.

**Additionally, on a monthly basis,** vendors shall report to Disability Rights California all of the following:

<sup>1</sup>For the purposes of confidentiality, client name cannot be disclosed to DRC; rather than using the client name, the reference to the client should be "client #1"

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- The number of incidents of seclusion and the duration of the time spent per incident in seclusion.
- The number of incidents of the use of behavioral restraints and the duration of time spent per incident of restraint.
- The number of times an involuntary emergency medication is used to control behavior.

The monthly reports shall include the name, street address, and telephone number of each facility. A copy of the monthly report must also be provided to WRC.

Please note the local office of Disability Rights California is located at 350 S. Bixel St., Suite 290, Los Angeles, CA90017. The contact number is (213) 213-8000 and the fax number is (213) 213-8001.

For your reference WIC Section 4659.2 (b) is enclosed. A copy of this letter is also available on the WRC website: [Westside Regional Center](http://www.westsiderc.org) .

Please feel free to direct any questions or inquiries to [info@westsiderc.org](mailto:info@westsiderc.org) or 310-258-4000.

Sincerely,



Mary Lou Weise-Stusser, MA  
Director of Community Services

Enclosures: WIC Section 4659.2  
WRC SIR Reporting requirements

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