# **Reportable Incident Decision Process**

Standard 18(4) of the Supportive Living Accommodation Standards and Long-Term Care Accommodation Standards states:

"Any incident within the supportive living or long-term care accommodation or its grounds in which the safety or security of a resident is breached must be documented and reported to the director along with the actions taken to address the incident or remedy the breach, as the case may be."

Standard 19.4 of the Continuing Care Health Service Standards states:

"Reportable incidents must be reported in accordance with the process and guidelines set out by Alberta Health."

## Below are documents to help determine if an incident is reportable

#### Health Funded Operators and Home Care Providers:

If the accommodation or services receives funding from Alberta Health Services:

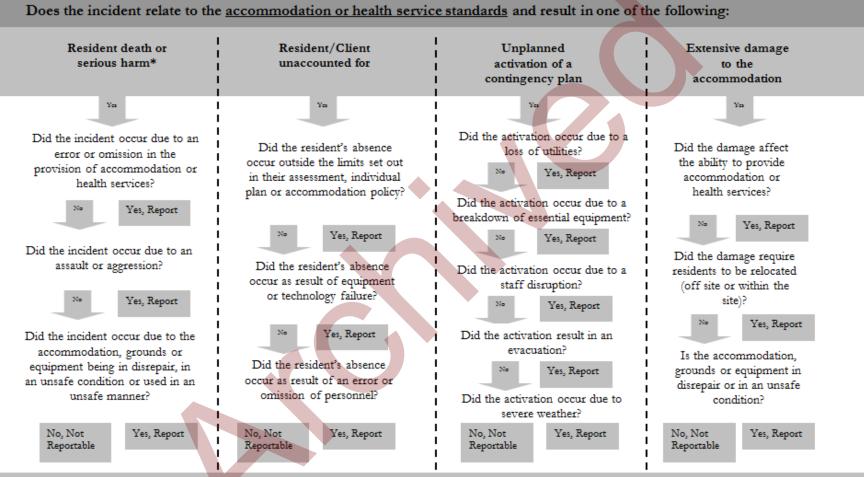
- Reportable Incidents are to be submitted to Alberta Health within two business days by the operator/contracted service provider. Using the "submit" feature on the form allows you to send information to <u>asal@gov.ab.ca</u> and <u>reportable.incidents@albertahealthservices.ca</u> simultaneously. Please ensure that additional notifications are completed as per existing zone processes.
- Identifiable resident health and personal information is not to be included on the form. If this form is being requested for disclosure to a third party, please contact Continuing Care Standards and Licensing at <u>asal@gov.ab.ca</u>.
- If you have reason to believe that this incident meets the definition of abuse under the *Protection for Persons in Care Act* please call 1-888-357-9339 to report.
- There is a reportable incident form for your use, which can be found at: <u>https://www.alberta.ca/become-a-continuing-care-provider-or-operator.aspx</u>. Please select 'Health Funded' after opening the form to display all of the available fields.

#### Notes for Home Care:

- Home care providers are only responsible for reporting incidents that have occurred as a result of the services that they are offering.
- When providing services in a supportive living accommodation, the operator of the accommodation is responsible for reporting incidents regarding the accommodation itself or as a result of the services provided by their employees.

### Non-Health Funded Operators:

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## Reportable Incident Decision Guide: Health Funded Accommodations

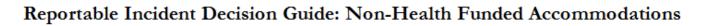
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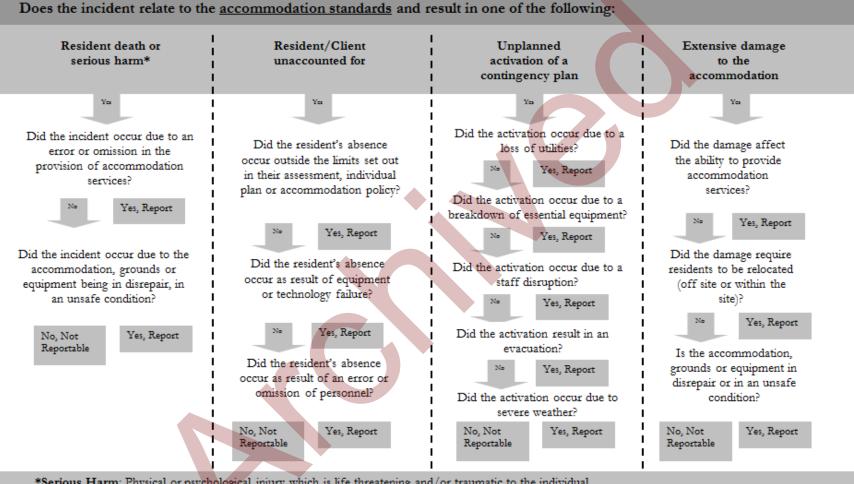
Extensive Damage: Damage to the extent that the ability of the operator to continue to provide accommodation services and a safe and secure environment is affected

# Health funded reportable incident examples

Resident Death or Serious Harm	Resident/Client Unaccounted for	Unplanned Activation of Contingency Plan	Extensive Damage to the Accommodation		
Examples of reportable incidents may include, but is not limited to:					
Error or Omissions	Resident absence	Loss of utilities	Services affected		
<ul> <li>Falls* (witnessed &amp; unwitnessed)</li> <li>Medication Errors (unsecured medications being ingested, missed medications, wrong client/dosage/medication/route/time)</li> <li>Risk agreement or care plan not adhered to</li> <li>Choking</li> <li>Burns, scalding</li> <li>Ingestion of chemicals/toxins</li> <li>Sharps injury</li> <li>Unexpected death</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Unexplained resident absence</li> <li>Abnormal extended absence of a resident</li> <li>Elopement</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Power</li> <li>Gas</li> <li>Water</li> <li>Telephone Service</li> </ul> Breakdown of Essential Equipment <ul> <li>Loss of heating equipment</li> <li>Loss of service equipment</li> <li>Loss of service of service</li> <li>Loss of elevator</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Flood (water main break, sprinkler system failure)</li> <li>Damage to section of building</li> </ul>		
Assault or Aggression <ul> <li>Self-harm</li> <li>Aggressive behaviour to others</li> <li>Sexual Assault</li> <li>Attempted suicide</li> </ul>	Equipment or technology failure • Failure of door alarms, roam alerts, or wanderguard	Staff Disruption          Staff Disruption         Strike         Site isolation         Shortage    Evacuation          Full/Partial	RelocationoFloodoFireoGas leakoOverall building damage		
Accommodation, Grounds, Equipment in disrepair/unsafe <ul> <li>Equipment malfunction</li> <li>Operator error (in use of equipment)</li> <li>Ice or snow that has not been removed</li> <li>Injury due to disrepair</li> <li>Tripping hazards</li> </ul>	Error or omission of personnel • Failure of daily accounting systems • Failure of site security	Severe Weather <ul> <li>Tornado</li> <li>Summer or winter storms</li> <li>Excessive Heat</li> </ul>	Unsafe conditions <ul> <li>Roof leak/collapse</li> <li>Damage to section of building</li> </ul>		

\*Fall: unintentionally coming to rest on the ground, floor or other lower level (definition as per Alberta Health Services policy)





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Extensive Damage: Damage to the extent that the ability of the operator to continue to provide accommodation services and a safe and secure environment is affected

# Non-health funded reportable incident examples

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Examples of reportable in	ot limited to:		
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equipment o Tripping hazards	Error or omission of personnel	Severe Weather	Unsafe conditions
	<ul> <li>Failure of daily accounting systems</li> <li>Failure of site security</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tornado</li> <li>Summer or winter storms</li> <li>Excessive Heat</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Roof leak/collapse</li> <li>Damage to section of building</li> </ul>