STEVE SISOLAK
Governor

TERRY REYNOLDS

Director

STATE OF NEVADA

VICTORIA CARREÓN Administrator

PERRY FAIGIN
Deputy Administrator

WILLIAM GARDNER
Chief Administrative Officer



## DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY DIVISION OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

January 27, 2022

To: Nevada Businesses

Re: Letter to Industry Regarding the Regulation for Workplace Violence at Medical Facilities (R044-20)

Per NRS 618.7317(2), the Division of Industrial Relations (DIR) shall adopt regulations that:

- a. Prescribe minimum requirements for the procedures for assessing and responding to situations that create the potential for workplace violence included in the plan adopted pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 618.7312.
- b. Prescribe minimum requirements for the engineering controls, work practice controls and other appropriate measures to prevent and mitigate the risk of workplace violence carried out pursuant to NRS 618.7315.
- c. Prescribe the required contents of a record of workplace violence maintained pursuant to NRS 618.7316.

On December 22, 2021, Nevada OSHA adopted regulation R044-20. The effective date of the regulation was on December 22, 2021.

- Section 3 Establishes time periods in which a medical facility is required to report certain incidents of workplace violence to the Division of Industrial Relations.
- Section 4 Establishes requirements for procedures in a medical facility's plan for the prevention of, and response to, workplace violence.
- Section 5 Establishes requirements for certain measures to prevent or mitigate risks of workplace violence.
- Section 6 Establishes requirements for a medical facility to maintain, record and review a log
  of certain information relating to incidents of workplace violence. See Additional Resources
  below for more information.

## **Annual Summary of Workplace Injuries and Illnesses**

Per NRS 618.7318(1), medical facilities are required to submit to DIR an annual summary of workplace injuries and illnesses pursuant to 29 CFR 1904.32. This summary is reported on OSHA Form 300A. See the following link for PDF and Excel versions of this form: Recordkeeping – Record Keeping Forms

Occupational Safety and Health Administration (osha.gov). The annual summary will include the prior calendar year's data, which will consist of the timeframe between January 1 and December 31. The annual summary will be required to by February 1 of the year following the year covered by the records. This annual summary will be submitted to the following email address: workplaceviolencelogs@dir.nv.gov

**NOTE:** For calendar year 2021, NV OSHA will be exercising enforcement discretion to allow employers time to come into compliance. Employers can submit the required OSHA Form 300A no later than April 1, 2022, so long as the employer is making a good faith effort and taking reasonable steps to comply with the regulation.

## **Additional resources:**

- 1. Per section 6(1) of R044-20, employers are required to create and maintain a log of workplace violence incidents and record in the log information about every incident, post-incident response and investigation regarding an injury resulting from workplace violence. An optional template for this log has been created and can be found at the following link: Record Keeping Forms Workplace Violence Log.
- 2. Per NRS 618.7318(2), DIR is required to make available copies of the most recent records applicable to the workplace violence regulations. Please see the following links for:
  - a. Workplace Violence at Medical Facilities Reporting Annual Summaries Submitted by each Medical Facility in the State.
  - b. Workplace Violence at Medical Facilities Reporting Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services.
  - c. Workplace Violence at Medical Facilities Reporting The Joint Commission Event Data Summary.
- 3. A link to the Secretary of State's filing which includes the regulation can be found here: Workplace Violence at Medical Facilities Regulation (R044-20).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (702) 486-9061 or by e-mail at mrodrigues@dir.nv.gov.

Sincerely,

Michael Rodrigues Program Coordinator, Nevada OSHA