

New streamlined report forms BCPSLS Reporters All Health Authorities April 26, 2018

What is changing?

BCPSLS report forms available on the BCPSLS landing page have been **streamlined**, **standardized**, **and simplified** with a new, cleaner look and feel. This change will take place on or before April 27, 2018.

Why have these changes been made?

Improvements to the forms mean that Reporters can navigate and complete them more quickly and easily. Where possible, **forms have been shortened**. Explanatory text next to some fields has been removed but is still available to Reporters; just click on the question mark icon beside the field for additional guidance or information. Standardizing the language and layout of the forms will provide Reporters with a more consistent experience and promote ease of use.

What do I need to know?

Continue to **report safety events as usual** by accessing the BCPSLS landing page through your Health Authority's main intranet portal home page, and choosing the report form that best fits the type of event you are reporting.

The new, streamlined report forms **no longer require Reporters to assign degree of harm** to safety events. Degree of harm will now be assigned by Handlers. Instead, the question "Was the patient harmed?" will be shown. Leaders who receive automatic notifications of reported safety events with degree of harm 4- Severe harm or 5- Death will continue to receive them, prompted by a second question, "Was there severe harm or death?" If the Reporter answers "Yes", notifications will be sent to those who have elected to receive them.

Where can I find more information?

Please contact your Health Authority BCPSLS Coordinator.