

NursingDirect

POLICY NUMBER: **46**

POLICY TITLE: **ACCIDENTS & INCIDENTS**

WHO MUST ABIDE BY THIS POLICY? **ALL AGENCY STAFF**



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THE PURPOSE OF THIS POLICY

To inform staff and clients of our ACCIDENTS & INCIDENTS POLICY.

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Nursing Direct is required to report specific health and safety accidents and incidents to the Enforcing Authorities e.g. Health and Safety Executive (HSE) or the Local Authority Environmental Health Officer.

The reported incidents enable the Enforcing Authorities to track organisations that fail to maintain good health and safety standards and to investigate any incidents should they deem it necessary.

The Health and Safety Executive produces statistical information from these incidents, enabling them to target areas of high risk and instigate safety campaigns (e.g. falls from height).

Nursing Direct follows guidance issued by Human Resources Advisors.

All accidents, incidents, communicable diseases and deaths occurring in the nursing agency or in a patient's home where a nurse has been supplied are reported to the relevant care commission and other relevant organisations in accordance with legislation and procedures