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PROVIDER HEALTH ADVISORY

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Hospital Discharge Reporting Process of Confirmed COVID-19 Patients

The County of San Luis Obispo Public Health Department (PHD) asks all hospitals in the county to report any confirmed COVID-19 patient discharges. Approval from the PHD is not required for discharge.

When discharging confirmed COVID-19 patients to long-term care facilities (SNF, ICF, AL, ARF), the hospital must first consult with the facility to confirm their ability to take the patient. If unable to find a long-term care facility that will accept the patient, please report this in your email or phone call.

Prior to discharge, hospitals will fax the following information to **(805)781-5543** or call **(805)781-5500** to report the following information:

- Patient Name
- Date of Birth
- Admission Date
- Discharge Destination (Home or Facility Name)
- Symptoms Present OR Asymptomatic?
- Anticipated Discharge Date

If the patient is being discharged to a long-term care facility (SNF, ICF, Assisted Living, ARF):

After being informed of the discharge, Public Health Department staff will contact the receiving long-term care facility and ask them the following questions:

- Confirm patient that is being discharged (Patient Name & DOB)
- Does the facility have the PPE resources necessary to care for this patient?
 - If not, what PPE resources does your facility need to care for this patient?
- Does the facility have the capability to isolate the patient?
- Does the facility have sufficient staffing to be able to care for this patient?