# Critical Incident Reporting

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### Purpose of this Document

- Define critical incidents
- Understand reporting and review process
- How to enter different incident types in the BUS
  - > Which fields
  - > What type of information



### **Critical Incident Definition**

- A "Critical Incident" is any actual or alleged event, or situation, that creates a significant risk of serious harm to the health or welfare of a client.
- A critical incident could have, or has had, a negative impact on the mental and/or physical well being of a client in the short or long term



## **Reporting Guidelines**

- Who
  - Everyone involved in the incident
- What
  - Complete description of the incident
- Where
  - ACF, client's home, etc...

- When
  - Day, time, duration of the incident
- Why
  - Unsafe environment, change in client needs, abuse, etc...

### • How

- How is the client at new/increased risk; how is that risk being addressed
- SEP/CM's are required to report all critical incidents they learn of in the BUS within 1 business day



### **CIRs** are reviewed

- CIRS administrator will review CIRS reports checking for completeness of reports to determine if the report:
  - Provides enough detail to understand the circumstances of the incident
  - Documents the steps taken to respond to incident
  - Identifies how client's safety has been addressed and the follow-up measures taken and/or planned
  - Documents whether mandatory reporting has occurred



### **Critical Incident Types**

- There are 6 Critical Incident types
  - Death
  - Abuse/Neglect/Exploitation
  - Injury/Illness to Client
  - Damage to Consumer's Property/Theft
  - Medication Management Issues
  - Other High Risk Issues



### Death

- When Incident type "Death" is selected, the following information must be included in the "Description of Incident" field:
  - Cause of Death
  - Law enforcement involvement (yes/no)
  - Names of any individual(s) involved
- If this information is not available in the initial report, it needs to be included in a "Follow up" to this critical incident



### Death

- Remember:
  - <u>All</u> deaths are required to be reported as individual critical incidents and entered in the BUS
  - If death is the result of a previously entered critical incident, a new, separate critical incident report must be entered to report the death

Example:

- CIRS#1 Injury/illness: client hospitalized with pneumonia, on day 5 of hospitalization client passes away
- CIRS#2 Death: a new CIRS is created to report the death of the client from the previous CIRS#1 report





### Death-related fields within BUS

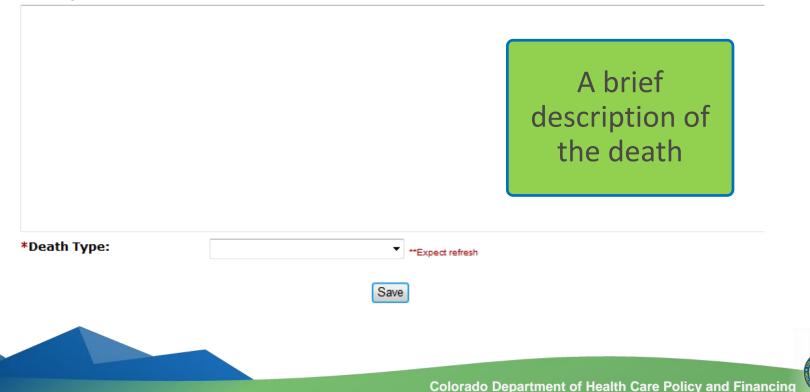
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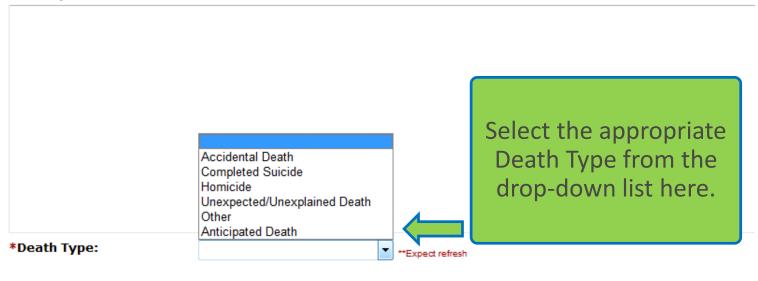
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- Neglect is a failure to provide care and service when an adult is unable to care for him or herself.
- Exploitation is the deliberate misplacement, exploitation, or wrongful temporary or permanent use of a client's belongings or money without the client's consent.



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#### \*Description of Incident:

A brief description of the Abuse/Neglect/Exploitation

\*Type of Abuse/Neglect/Exploitation:

\*Source of Abuse/ Neglect/ Exploitation:

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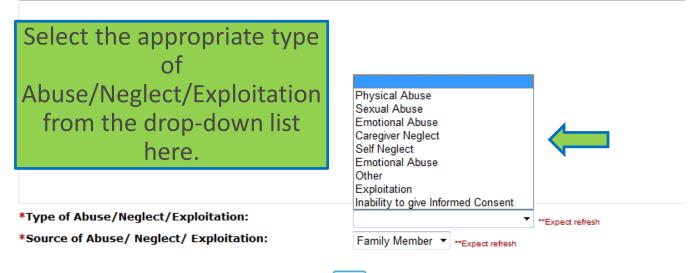
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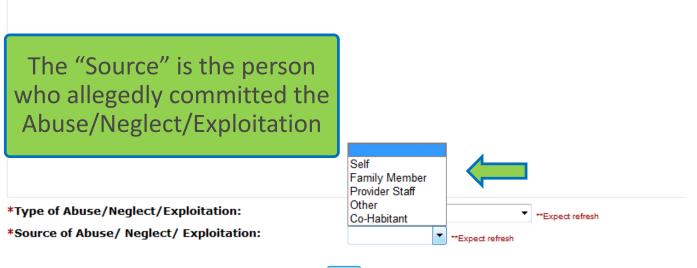
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Select the appropriate Injury/Illness	Fracture/Dislocation Laceration (cut?) requiring sutures or staples Illness Loss of Limb Serious Burn Skin Wound Due to Poor Care H1N1 Other	
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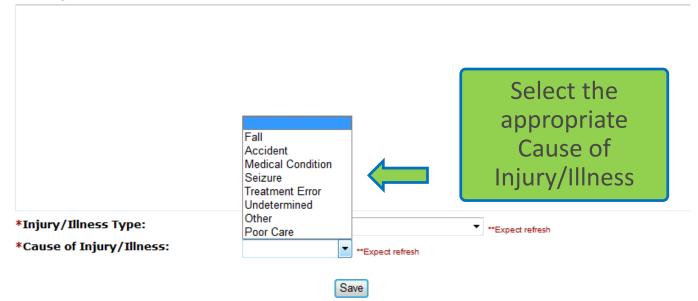
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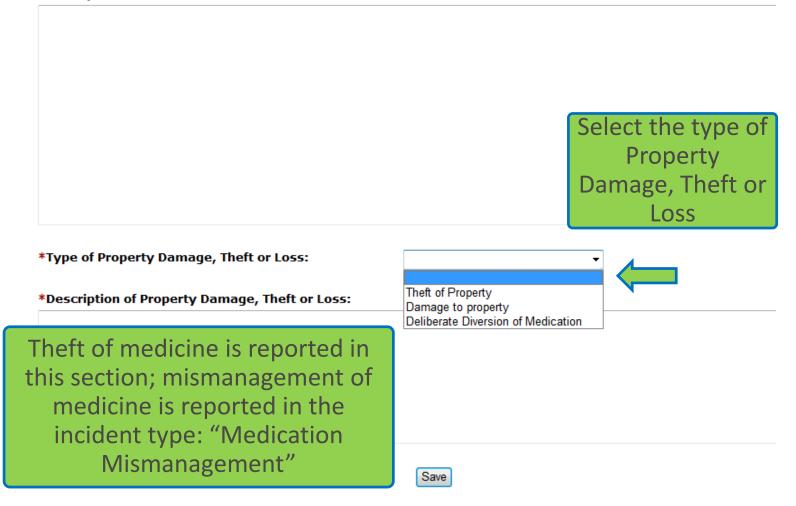
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\*Description of Property Damage, Theft or Loss:



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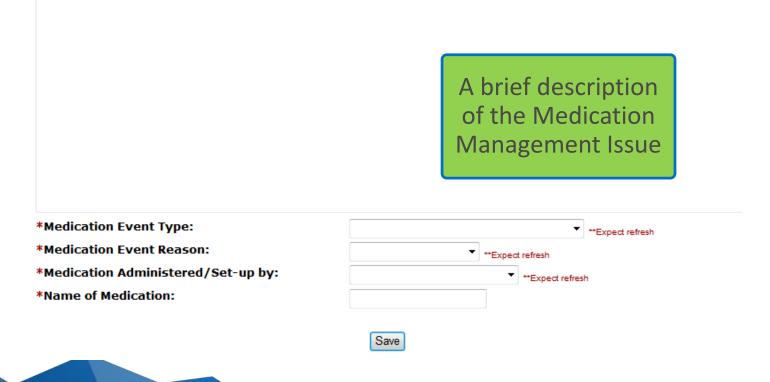


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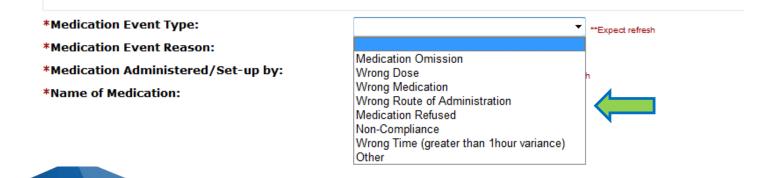
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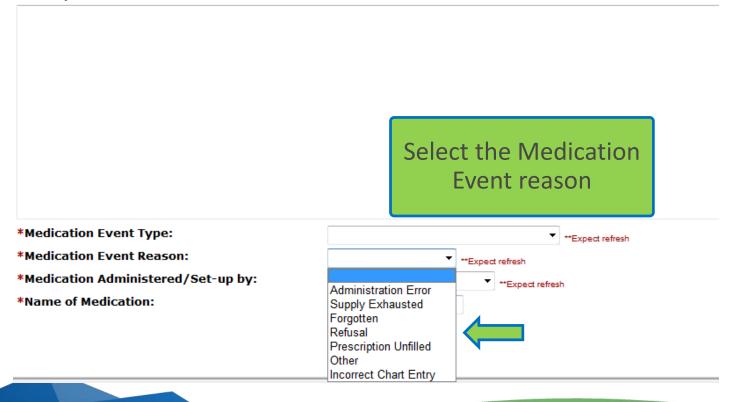


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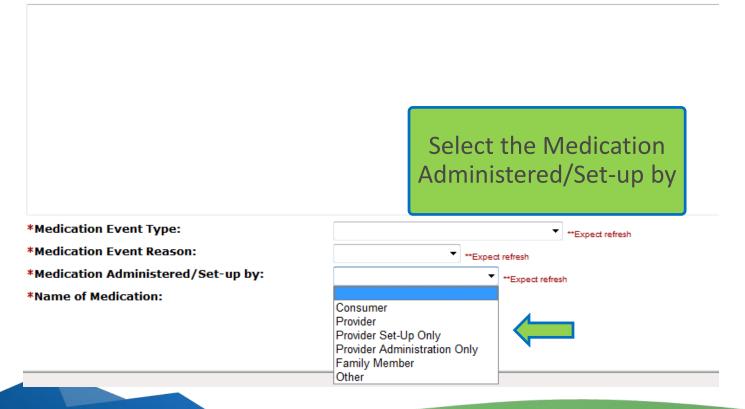


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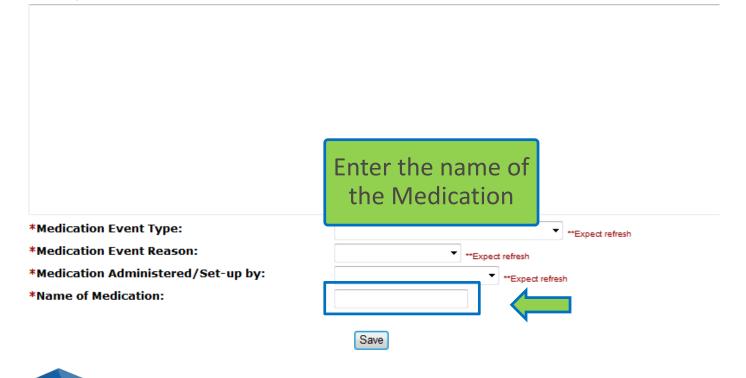


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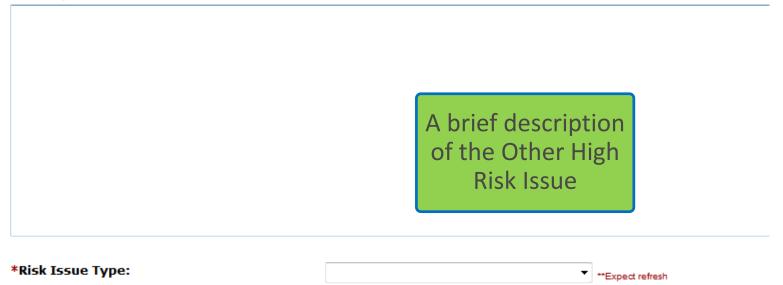
 Serious issues that do not yet rise to the level of a critical incident, but have the potential to do so in the future. This could include such events such as environmental hazards, suicide threats, self-injurious behaviors, arrest or detention, etc.



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Reporting incidents to HCPF does not relieve the facility or provider from reporting requirements of other regulatory or law enforcement agencies. Lost/Missing Person should be reported to CDPHE.

#### \*Description of Incident:



\*Why is this issue of particular risk to this person?:



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\*Risk Issue Type:

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Details about what risk factors make this a high risk/critical incident



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### Select the Risk Issue type

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*Why is this issue of particular risk to this per	Criminal Justice Involvement/Incarceration Victim of Crime Client Fraud	
	Provider Fraud Lost/Missing Person Loss of Home/Eviction Substance Abuse	
	Suicide Ideation/Talk Suicide Attempt Abusive/Violent Behavior by Client Mental Incompetency/Alzheimer's/Dementia	
	Unsafe Living Situation Critical Service Interruption Other	

### **Other High Risk Issues**

- When "Critical Service Interruption" is the Risk Issue selected:
  - An additional selection box will appear
  - A Critical Service Interruption Type must be selected

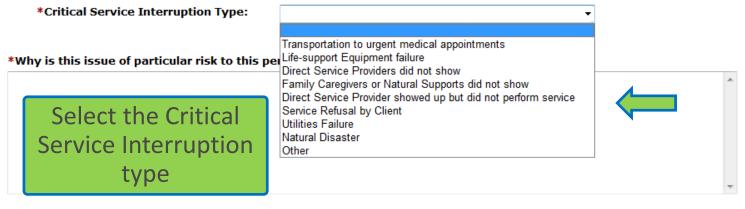


\*Risk Issue Type:

Critical Service Interruption

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Critical Services are those services that if not delivered in accordance with the client's service plan would result in a critical incident, such as death, hospitalization, reinstitutionalization or an emergency room visit. The critical services should be identified in the emergency backup plan and the contingency plan section in client's service plan in the BUS.



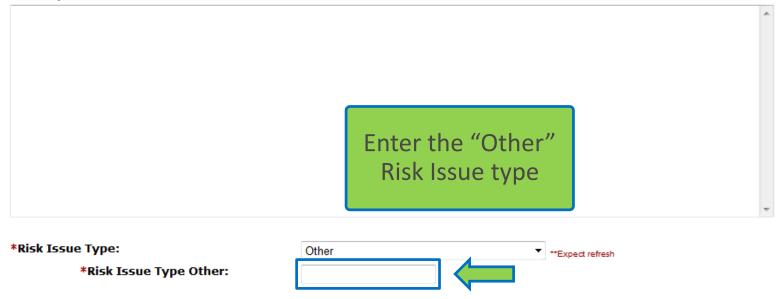


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- When "Other" is the Risk Issue selected:
  - A text box will appear
  - Enter the Other type of Risk Issue



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### Follow-Up

- Required when:
  - additional actions are required to resolve an incident
  - information was missing from the initial report
  - in response to HCPF review

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### Questions?

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