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Terminated Pregnancy Report Submission Guidance

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Dear Providers:

With the recent launch of the fetal death and terminated pregnancy modules of the state's new Database for Registering Indiana's Vital Events (DRIVE) the Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) would like to remind providers of the statutory requirements for reporting terminated pregnancies to the State of Indiana.

In accordance with IC 16-34-2-5(b):

- Health care providers are required to submit an electronic terminated pregnancy report (TPR) to IDOH within thirty (30) days after the date of each abortion procedure for patients age 16 and older.
 - TPRs should be submitted electronically to IDOH through the DRIVE vital records system. Instructions for submitting a TPR through DRIVE can be found on our website at: https://www.in.gov/health/vital-records/vital-record-registration/terminated-pregnancy-reporting/
- If an abortion procedure is performed for a patient who is less than sixteen (16) years of age, the health care provider must submit the TPR within three (3) days after the procedure to IDOH as outlined above <u>and</u> separately to the Indiana Department of Child Services (DCS).
 - TPRs should be submitted electronically to DCS by email to dcshotlinereports@dcs.in.gov.

Patient Age	Timeline	Submission Method
Age 16 and Older	Within 30 calendar days	DRIVE
Less than 16	Within 3 calendar days	DRIVE and DCS Hotline Email

Once the TPR has been submitted to IDOH and DCS, if applicable, a copy of the TPR must also be retained in the patient's medical file.

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Additionally, a person's duty to <u>immediately</u> report child abuse or neglect through an oral or written report to DCS or law enforcement when they have reason to believe a child is a victim of child abuse or neglect is <u>separate and distinct</u> from the TPR form requirement above, which may or may not involve circumstances of child abuse or neglect. This reporting requirement is found in IC 31-33-5-1 through 31-33-5-5 and applies even when a termination is not performed. DCS maintains a child abuse and neglect hotline at 1-800-800-5556 for oral reports of child abuse or neglect and an email address at <u>dcshotlinereports@dcs.in.gov</u> for written reports of child abuse or neglect.