San Francisco Health Care Provider Reports of Suspicious Injury to Law Enforcement Flowchart

Patient enters health care facility with suspicious injury

Provider assesses that patient has near lethal circumstances and/or life threatening injury or patient wants immediate police assistance.

Call 911 for immediate police response. (or 415-553-8090)

Fill out Cal OES Form 2-920 and San Francisco Supplement.
Submit form within 2 working days of receiving information to SFPD Special Victims Unit:
- Fax: 415-734-3086
- Email: sfpd.svumedrec@sfgov.org
- Mail: San Francisco Police Department Special Victims Unit, 850 Bryant St., Room 500, San Francisco, CA 94103

SVU Assignment Officer reviews to ensure incident report was filed and only uses patient-provided contact information.*

Confidential domestic violence advocate at Special Victims Unit also contacts only using patient-provided contact information.*

Provider assesses that patient does not have near lethal circumstances and/or life threatening injury and patient does not want immediate police assistance.

Call Special Victims Unit at 415-553-9220 and speak to representative or follow instructions for voicemail after hours. Advise patient that law enforcement may still contact them.

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Patient wants police involvement.

SFPD assigns a Special Victims Unit Investigator to follow up.

Patient does not want any police involvement.

Confidential domestic violence advocate at Special Victims Unit makes first contact only using patient-provided contact information.* In some cases, police may still contact patient.

*See San Francisco Supplement to Health Practitioner Suspicious Injury Report
There are 2 steps to reporting a suspicious injury to law enforcement:

1. You must call the police.
2. You must make a written report.

**The Call:**

When making the call in San Francisco, you have two options:

1. Call 911 (or 415-553-8090) for immediate response:
   - if the patient has near lethal circumstances and/or life threatening injury; or
   - patient wants immediate police assistance.

2. Call the San Francisco Police Department Special Victims Unit at 415-553-9220 if neither of the above.

**The Written Report:**

Complete both the Cal OES Form 2-920 and San Francisco Supplement, and send to Special Victims Unit by fax, e-mail or snail mail.

**Information You Will Be Asked by 911 Dispatcher**

Is suspect at the hospital with the victim?

What is the location of the occurrence?

Victim’s name

Victim medical status (if critical)