



## NEVADA

*Specific requirement to report sexual assault? No.*

*Requirement to report non-accidental or intentional injuries? No.*

*Requirement to report injuries caused by criminal conduct? No.*

*Additional statutes that may impact competent adult victims of sexual assault? It is mandatory to report knife and gunshot wounds and certain burns.*

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### STATUTES ADDRESSING PAYMENT FOR EXAMINATIONS

#### **NRS § 217.310 Application for medical and psychological treatment of victim and spouse; companionship during counseling; prerequisite to approval**

1. If any victim of sexual assault requires medical treatment for physical injuries as a result of the sexual assault, in addition to any initial emergency medical care provided, or if any victim or spouse of such a victim suffers emotional trauma as a result of the sexual assault, the victim or spouse may, upon submitting an affidavit as required by subsection 2, apply to the board of county commissioners in the county where the sexual assault occurred for treatment at county expense.
2. The board shall approve an application for treatment upon receiving an affidavit from the applicant declaring that:
  - (a) The applicant is a victim of sexual assault or spouse of such a victim;
  - (b) The sexual assault occurred in the county; and
  - (c) The victim requires medical treatment for physical injuries, or the victim or spouse has suffered emotional trauma, as a result of the sexual assault.
3. A victim who has suffered emotional trauma may select a relative or close friend to receive counseling with the victim if the counselor agrees that such companionship will be helpful to the victim. If the victim's application for treatment is approved, counseling for the relative or friend must also be approved.
4. The filing of a report with the appropriate law enforcement agency is a prerequisite to qualify for treatment under the provisions of this section.

**HISTORY:** Added to NRS by 1975, 1291; A 1977, 1633; 1979, 586; 1985, 2105



**NRS § 449.244. Certain costs for examination or treatment of victims of sexual offenses to be charged to county**

1. Any costs incurred by a hospital for:
  - (a) The examination of the victim of a sexual offense, when the examination is performed for the purposes of gathering evidence for possible prosecution of the person who committed the offense; or
  - (b) Initial emergency medical care for the victim, must not be charged directly to the victim. The costs must be charged to the county in whose jurisdiction the offense was committed.
  
2. Whenever costs are incurred by a hospital for treatment which has been approved by the board of county commissioners pursuant to NRS 217.310 for the victim of a sexual assault and any other person eligible for treatment, the costs of the treatment, not to exceed \$1,000, must be charged to the county which authorized the treatment. Any remainder must be handled the same as other hospital costs.

HISTORY: Added to NRS by 1975, 1133; A 1979, 587; 1985, 2106

**REPORTING STATUTES WHICH MAY IMPACT RAPE VICTIMS**

**NRS § 629.041. Provider of health care to report persons having certain injuries**

Every provider of health care to whom any person comes or is brought for treatment of an injury which appears to have been inflicted by means of a firearm or knife, not under accidental circumstances, shall promptly report the person's name, if known, his or her location and the character and extent of the injury to an appropriate law enforcement agency.

HISTORY: Added to NRS by 1977, 239

**NRS § 629.045. Provider of health care to report persons having certain burns**

1. Every provider of health care to whom any person comes or is brought for the treatment of:
  - (a) Second or third degree burns to 5 percent or more of the body;
  - (b) Burns to the upper respiratory tract or laryngeal edema resulting from the inhalation of heated air; or
  - (c) Burns which may result in death, shall promptly report that information to the appropriate local fire department.



## RAPE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPETENT ADULT VICTIMS

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2. The report required by subsection 1 must include:
  - (a) The name and address of the person treated, if known;
  - (b) The location of the person treated; and
  - (c) The character and extent of the injuries.
  
3. A person required to make a report pursuant to subsection 1 shall, within 3 working days after treating the person, submit a written report to:
  - (a) The appropriate local fire department in counties whose population is 40,000 or more; or
  - (b) The State Fire Marshal in counties whose population is less than 40,000. The report must be on a form provided by the State Fire Marshal.
  
4. A provider of health care and his or her agents and employees are immune from any civil action for any disclosures made in good faith in accordance with the provisions of this section or any consequential damages.

**HISTORY:** Added to NRS by 1991, 1896; A 2001, 1996