

## Ohio Revised Code

Section 3701.91 Toll-free patient safety telephone line.

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The department of health shall make available to the public a toll-free patient safety telephone line. The department may make the toll-free patient safety telephone line available by maintaining a toll-free telephone line specifically for accepting calls regarding patient safety or by using a toll-free telephone line that the department maintains for accepting calls regarding other matters.

The department shall accept calls placed through the toll-free patient safety telephone line by any person seeking to report an action or failure to act in the provision of health care that the person in good faith believes has resulted in or is likely to result in harm to a patient. This section shall not be used by the department to accept calls pertaining to a home, as defined in section 3721.10 of the Revised Code.

A person who makes a report under this section is not required to provide any information to the department that could reveal the person's identity. Information provided by a person under this section is not a public record as defined in section 149.43 of the Revised Code.