IMS TALKS- THE LESSER KNOWN PROTECTION

Who do you protect when you do an incident report?

YOU, The professional

Why do we <u>avoid</u> incident reporting?

- Not enough time-reporting format is too long.
- Never hear anything back.
- Culture of silence in healthcare (fear).

What is the intent of incident reporting?

- Risk reduction.
- Prevention.
- Responsibility.

What is different about professionals doing incident reporting?

- Knowledge of an incident changes the responsibility of the professional.
- This responsibility comes with an expectation to act.
- If a professional knows, a professional is obligated to report.
- There can be a greater liability in NOT reporting an incident for professionals.
- Transference of partial responsibility happens when you report to investigators. But does not alleviate other responsibilities.
- We do not have the authority nor expertise to do some types of investigations. That is why we report to outside entities.
- Incident reports can reduce participant risk, prevent further incidents, ensure health/welfare and protect **<u>you</u>** as a professional (as well as the participants that we serve).





IF WE KNOW ABOUT IT, WE REPORT IT. WE ARE PROFESSIONALS.