

## View xForm - Unanticipated Problem or Adverse Event Form v2

Use this form to report unanticipated problems (including breach of data security) or adverse events involving risks to human subjects while the research is being conducted.

## **Data Entry**

- Submitted 10/20/2025 6:22 PM ET by Jaclyn Chambers, PhD

## **UP or AE Questions**

#### **Submitter**

December 2025 cycle.

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## **Project number**

2023-057

## **Principal Investigator**

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## Study title

Evaluating California's Guaranteed Income Pilot Program

Study personnel		
Name	Role	
Bridgette Lery, PhD	Principal Investigator	
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Jenny Kenney, PhD	Responsible Official	
Sarah Benatar, PhD	Co-Principal Investigator	
Zara Porter	Research Team	

## **Monitoring Entity**

Principal Investigator

## **Report Type**

Other events or information. Report only after consulting with CPHS Administrative Staff

## Provide a brief description of event or information for your selection above

On October 17, 2025, a staff member from the California Department of Social Services (CDSS), forwarded an email to three members of our research team that contained two Excel file attachments with participant first and last names. The body of the email did not indicate that the attachments contained PII.

All three research team members were out of the office on October 17. After returning to work on October 20, one research team member opened and viewed the attachments. Upon discovering that the attachments contained PII, the research team member immediately alerted the other members of the research team who had received the email. All three research team members permanently deleted and purged the email. We have confirmed with Urban's Tech team that there are no further steps needed to scrub the email containing the attachment from our system. We also alerted CDSS and reminded them to not email PII to the research team.

Potential consequences if this information were obtained or misused by unauthorized persons include compromising the confidentiality of clients who are in our study.

#### **Date of event**

10/20/2025

#### **Date PI learned of event**

10/20/2025

# Enrolled in OSHPD research (OSHPD campus including Foothills facilities)?

No

## Are there proposed changes to the protocol?

No

## Attach any relevant documents to the report

No answer provided.

# PI Signature for Coordination Submission - Submitted 10/20/2025 6:27 PM ET by Bridgette Lery, PhD

## **PI Signature**

Is this form ready to be reviewed by the IRB? If not, choose no to have the application sent back to the coordinator for revisions.

Yes

To sign this form, enter your IRBManager password. By signing this form, you are indicating that the information within this form accurate and reflects the proposed research.

Signed Monday, October 20, 2025 6:27:43 PM ET by Bridgette Lery, PhD

#### **Notify IRB for Pre-Screening**

- Submitted 10/21/2025 3:57 PM ET by Sussan Atifeh

#### IRB pre-screening

## Is the AE report ready to be reviewed by the Chair/designee?

Yes

## **Reportable Event Status**

Review required

## Please provide a rationale for your decision above.

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## **Assign Presenter**

Philip T Palacio, EdD, MS

Select the chair or designee who will review this UP/AE. Catherine Hess, PhD

If necessary, choose the second reviewer who needs to review this AE/UP.

Larry Dickey, MD, MPH, MSW

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## **Chair Review & Full Board Set-Up**

## **Full Board Meeting Setup**

The office will complete the questions on this page and submit this form after the teleconference with the Chair regarding this reportable event is complete.

## Does the chair agree that this event needs to be reviewed?

No answer provided.

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