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§9-6-10. Mandatory reporting to medical examiner or coroner; postmortem investigation.

(a) Any person or official who is required under §9-6-9 of this code to report cases of suspected abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation, and who has probable cause to believe that a vulnerable adult or facility resident has died as a result of abuse or neglect, shall report that fact to the appropriate medical examiner or coroner.

(b) Upon the receipt of such a report, the medical examiner or coroner shall cause an investigation to be made and shall report the findings to the local law-enforcement agency, the local prosecuting attorney, the department's local adult protective services agency, and, if the institution making a report is a hospital, nursing home, or other residential facility, to the administrator of the facility, the state and regional long-term care ombudsman, and the Office of Health Facility Licensure and Certification.

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