

To: Shannon Pullen
Chair, Behavioral Health Unit Advisory Committee (BHUAC)

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Re: Response to BHUAC Recommendations from March 2016 Meeting

March 2016 Committee Votes and Recommendations

- The BHUAC voted and approved to accept the proposed curriculum of the 2016 ECIT In-service class.

RESPONSE: The BHU appreciates the input and support of the BHUAC in the development of our training.

- The BHUAC voted and approved to accept the proposed changes to SOP 3.3 with the following additional changes:
 - In section #2 changing “Communicate with ECIT officers Lieutenant” to “Communicate with the Lieutenant of the ECIT officer”.
 - In section #2 changing “Any decision to remove an ECIT officer from the team will be coordinated by the Central Precinct Commander” to “Coordinate any decision to remove an ECIT officer from the team with the Central Precinct Commander.”

RESPONSE: The BHU concurs with the changes recommended by the BHUAC and will incorporate them into the revised SOP. In addition to the changes to the SOP presented and approved by the committee the BHU is making one additional change due to the anticipated approval of 850.20 Police Response to Mental Health Crisis. The SOP as presented to the committee added “the subject is attempting suicide” to the ECIT dispatch protocol. The final version of the SOP will include the language from the policy “the subject is threatening or attempting suicide”.

- The BHU voted and approved to accept SOP 1.1 without changes.

RESPONSE: Noted.