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Chair, Behavioral Health Unit Advisory Committee (BHUAC)

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Re: Response to BHUAC Recommendations from September 2016 Meeting

September 2016 Committee Votes and Recommendations

The BHUAC recommends that when PPB trains officers about Directive 850.20, the following is highlighted:

- Under **About Mental Health Section 1:** Mental health is important (as opposed to indispensable) to personal well-being, family and interpersonal relationships, and contribution to community or society. Many people live with mental health issues AND are successful in life, have positive and health relationships, and contribute to community or society.
- Under **About Mental Health Section 4:** Mental illness is distinct from intellectual or developmental disabilities but they may be co-occurring.

RESPONSE: The BHU concurs with the recommendation from the BHUAC on training for Directive 850.20. Sergeant McCormick is one of the instructors and was present during the meeting. The BHU also recognizes that members of the BHUAC would consider making these recommendations the next time Directive 850.20 is up for review.