



Chapter: Arrests, Use of Force, Care of Prisoners
Subject: 05-50 – Protective Custody of Mentally Ill Persons
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PURPOSE: This Order establishes department policy related to protective custody of mentally ill persons.

05-50-1 MENTALLY ILL PERSONS – APPREHENSION, ADMISSION, AND ESCAPES

The Mental Health Code ([MCL 330.1001-330.2001](#)) prescribes actions for peace officers in connection with mentally ill citizens. This section covers apprehension, transportation, and application for commitment of persons with a mental illness; the notification and return of persons with a mental illness or developmentally disabled persons in unauthorized leave status from a state facility for the treatment of a mental illness or developmentally disabled persons from a Federal Veterans Administration Hospital; and investigations of incidents at MDHHS facilities.

All procedures for handling those persons requiring treatment shall be followed in accordance with the guidelines stipulated in the mentally ill persons – apprehension, admission, and escapes procedure manual.

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Annual Review Responsibility: Field Operations Bureau

Accreditation Standards: CALEA TBD