

Answers to questions from the TF from the Monday, February 28 meeting:

Responses are from Wichita Police Department.

1. The number or percentage of supervisors with CIT training? **There are 24 supervisors ranked SGT and above that have received CIT training.**

The question is in relation to Policy 519 (Wichita PD Mentally ILL Persons/Crisis Intervention

1. What is the protocol around transporting any individual who is displaying signs and symptoms of a mental health crisis who becomes physically aggressive, unable to converse or cognitively impaired, and requires restraint unrelated to substance use being transporting to JIAC or Sedgwick Correction Facility instead of the hospital?

There currently is not a protocol specifically related to this. It is discretionary based on each unique circumstance, and each call officers make comes with its own set of circumstances. WPD is guided by policy and/or state laws in transporting adults and juveniles who have been taken into custody.

2. When an individual meets the above criteria however, not reporting suicidal/homicidal threats and LE is involved, how are decisions made to ensure an individual's mental health needs are addressed if there is a certain criteria that LE should follow when transporting the person to the hospital or not? What impedes this decision?

Many factors are taken into consideration on every call officers make based on the circumstances. No two calls are the same and have to be evaluated based on those specific circumstances. WPD's goal in each call is to keep individuals involved safe and transport individuals to the facility that is best suited to help in the given situation.

3. Are there instances where LE is involved and an individual meets the criteria in question number 1 but not question number two, the mental health hospital (Saint Joseph) believes the individual does not meet their criteria, how are services provided for that individual if Saint Joseph does not admit them?

This question should be directed to St. Joseph Hospital or Comcare regarding when a person is evaluated but then not admitted.