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Specific Call Procedures

7-350 Emergency Medical Response

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I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to lay out the roles and responsibilities of MPD employees in MPD incidents involving a medical emergency.

II. Policy

- A. MPD employees shall request emergency medical services (EMS) as soon as practical if any employee has come into contact with an individual having an acute medical crisis and any delay in treatment could potentially aggravate the severity of the medical crisis, or as otherwise required by policy.
 - 1. While awaiting EMS, MPD employees assisting an individual having an acute medical crisis shall provide any necessary first aid consistent with MPD training, as soon as practical.
 - 2. Naloxone (Narcan) shall be administered only in accordance P&P 7-348.
- B. MPD employees assisting individuals who are not in an acute medical crisis but may need medical attention shall offer EMS response, and shall document the offer and answer in a report, or if no report will be made via added remarks in CAD.
- C. MPD employees shall not make any suggestions or requests regarding medical courses of action to be taken by any medical personnel. Determinations made by medical personnel regarding medical courses of action must be clearly made by medical personnel.
 - 1. MPD employees shall provide medical personnel with any necessary information related to the subject's observed or known conditions and behaviors, so the medical personnel can conduct a quick and accurate assessment and determine the best medical course of action.
 - 2. MPD employees shall provide medical personnel the names of any MPD employees who provided first aid or assisted with a person's care, so that notifications can be made to involved officers of possible exposure to any pathogens discovered through further medical examination.

3. Employees are prohibited from suggesting or directing sedation for a person, including people who may be experiencing what has been referred to as “excited delirium,” “severe agitation with confusion,” or similar concepts by other names, and for people who are acting agitated, disorganized, or behaving erratically.
- D. MPD employees responding to incidents where EMS has already been requested shall not cancel EMS unless the employees determine that the call was unfounded or the subject is no longer at the scene.
 - E. MPD employees shall document in a report any assistance provided to medical personnel regarding the medical crisis, including actions taken by the employees, the effects of those actions on the subject, and the outcome of the situation. Any physical control applied by MPD personnel should be reported in accordance with the P&P 5-306 Use of Force-Reporting and Post-Incident Requirements.
 - F. Arrest or detention of individuals receiving treatment under this policy shall also be in accordance P&P 9-108 (Arrest or Detention of Injured Adults).