



# Minneapolis Police Department Policy and Procedure Manual

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### Adult Citations and Arrests

#### 9-206 Arrest or Detention of Adults in Need of Medical Attention

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##### I. Responsibility for Those in Custody

- A. Minneapolis Police Department (MPD) sworn members have a duty to provide appropriate medical treatment to those who need it. Members arriving on scene or encountering an incident shall, as soon as reasonably practical, determine if anyone displays a visible injury or signs of medical distress, has lost consciousness, has complained of injury or medical distress, or has requested medical attention, and shall take actions as detailed in P&P 7-350.
- B. Members are responsible for the custody of the arrested person while they are receiving medical attention.

##### I. Procedures/Regulations

- A. If an arrested person who will be booked into the Hennepin County Jail (HCJ) is brought to the hospital for medical treatment, MPD shall retain custody of the arrested person until they are transferred to HCJ. This does not apply to people arrested who will be issued a citation in lieu of booking or otherwise be released without being booked.
  - 1. If an arrested person requires medical attention and their hospital stay is expected to extend beyond the time the arresting member is able to wait, members shall contact a supervisor. Hospital personnel or hospital security will not hold or guard an arrested person.
  - 2. If an arrested person will be admitted to the hospital, the arresting member shall notify their on-duty supervisor, who will arrange for relief if necessary.
  - 3. The arresting member's precinct shall retain custodial responsibility until properly relieved.
  - 4. If an arrested person is brought to HCJ for booking and they are rejected due to needing medical evaluation or treatment, members shall ensure the person is transported to the nearest available medical facility (e.g., via ambulance, squad, etc.).

## Glossary

**Arrest:** Taking a person into custody, which may be imposed by force or may result from a person submitting to a member. An arrest is a restraint of greater scope or duration than an investigative stop or detention. An arrest requires probable cause that a crime was committed or is being committed. This includes booking, citing in lieu of booking, and releasing pending charges.

**Arrested Person:** A person that has been taken into custody, and the restraint and duration are greater than an investigatory stop or detention. This includes people who are arrested and released at the scene, and those who are booked.

**Booking:** An arrest and transport of a person to a booking (detention) facility such as Hennepin County Jail (HCJ).

**Citation in Lieu of Booking:** When a member has probable cause (PC) to make an arrest for a bookable offense and issues a citation instead of transporting the person to a detention facility.