

## Code Red (Title 15, Section 1324)

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### 607.1 PURPOSE:

To establish guidelines for the announcement and response of a Code Red in Juvenile Detention and Assessment Centers (JDACs) and Treatment Facilities (TFs).

A Code Red shall be initiated to request immediate assistance in an emergency that may result in injuries to officers, youth, and others present.

### 607.2 DEFINITIONS:

Code Red: A radio code used to request an immediate response to an emergency that requires immediate assistance to an imminent threat to safety and security within a JDAC or TF.

Incident Commander (IC): The first supervisor to arrive on the scene of an incident or as designated by the Watch Commander (WC)/Treatment Facility Supervisor (TFS).

### 607.3 GUIDELINES:

- A. If Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) is used, staff will abide by the OC Spray procedure.
- B. If physical restraint or restraint devices are used, refer to the Restraint Devices in JDACs and TFs procedure.
- C. When completing Incident Reports, staff will abide by the Incident Reports procedure.
- D. Any FAST or medical staff called to a Code Red will remain at a safe distance from the incident until directed otherwise.
- E. If the scene remains unsafe for medical staff to render aid, injured individuals shall be moved to a safe area when feasible and safe to do so.

### 607.4 RESPONSIBILITIES:

- I. Sworn Staff:
  - A. Shall use the Handie Talkie (HT) to announce the Code Red either by pressing the Code Red button or verbally announcing the Code Red and location (e.g., "Code Red Unit 2A"). Provide pertinent information to alert responding staff of the situation, including the use of OC spray, the presence of blood, or other critical details, including the following:
    - 1. Code Red Weapon Used-Indicates a youth has a weapon that can cause serious harm to another person. It will alert responding officers that a youth

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is armed and that the scene is not safe for medical or Forensic Adolescent Service Team (FAST) to enter.

2. Code Red Officer Down-This should be used when an officer is attacked or injured. It is not necessary to state the nature of the injury. It will alert medical staff that there is an injured staff member and be prepared to render aid.
  3. Code Red Officer Down Weapon Used-Indicates an officer is injured and a weapon was used.
  4. Code Red Multiple Down-This should be used when multiple people are injured. This will alert the medical staff to bring additional supplies and adequate personnel to render aid.
- B. Provide the youth with options to encourage compliance.
  - C. Evaluate the youth's behavior/actions and respond in accordance with Use of Force policies and procedures.
  - D. Assess the situation, determine the progress of the incident, and brief the Incident Commander (IC) on pertinent case history and events leading up to the Code Red when it is safe to do so.
  - E. Shall respond immediately to the alert if not in direct supervision of youth.
  - F. Secure youth in their direct supervision.
  - G. Shall not transport/escort any youth to the crisis area to assist.
  - H. When a Code Red is called off, responding staff who have not arrived at the location should return to their assignment. Those at the location will remain until dismissed by the Incident Commander (IC).
  - I. Secure uninvolved youth in their rooms or other designated area.
  - J. All Code Red calls shall be video recorded when safe to do so.
  - K. Shall request that Forensic Adolescent Service Team (FAST) respond as appropriate.
  - L. Shall promptly complete an Incident Report (IR) if directly involved and/or at the request of the IC by the end of shift, unless additional time is necessary and authorized by the WC/TFS.
  - M. Shall document the Code Red in CE-Behavior Notes.
- II. Probation Corrections Supervisor I (PCSI)/Incident Commander (IC):
- A. Shall immediately respond to the location.
  - B. The first PCSI to arrive at the scene shall assume IC duties unless otherwise designated by the Watch Commander (WC)/Treatment Facility Supervisor (TFS). The IC will provide continuous updates to the WC/TFS.
  - C. Shall monitor the development of the situation, manage the incident, and, when safe, gather information from the on-scene officers for pertinent case history and events leading up to the Code Red.

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- D. Ensure video recording is initiated when safe to do so. The IC will not attempt to personally video record but will delegate the duty to another officer.
  - E. Shall tactically position staff to optimize safety and to provide for continuing supervision and counseling of youth.
  - F. Ensure that FAST is notified and provided with the details of the incident, and ensure that FAST staff remain at a safe distance until the scene is safe.
  - G. Ensure officers provide the youth with options to gain compliance.
  - H. Evaluate the youth's actions and direct officers to respond in accordance with the Use of Force policies and procedures.
  - I. When the situation is safe and controlled, the IC will announce, "Code Red Over," followed by the location, via HT.
    - 1. If further assistance is needed, the IC will announce, "More Assistance Needed," via HT.
    - 2. If the situation is prolonged and remains exigent, such as a time while waiting for an Emergency Medical Service (EMS) response, the IC will announce, "Emergency Traffic Only." When the emergency ends, the IC will announce, "Code Red over" or "Resume Normal Traffic."
  - J. Shall dismiss and/or delegate staff accordingly.
  - K. Shall ensure all documentation is properly noted in CE.
  - L. Shall collect and review handheld video camera and the Closed Circuit Television Security System (CCTSS) recordings and ensure proper labeling, tracking, and storage.
  - M. Shall collect and review all Incident Reports (IRs), nursing reports, photos, and other relevant documents, obtain necessary signatures, and forward all copies to the WC/TFS by end of the shift, unless additional time is necessary and authorized by the WC/TFS.
  - N. Shall ensure any injured staff and/or youth are photographed, and necessary documentation is completed.
- III. Watch Commander (WC)/Treatment Facility Supervisor (TFS):
- A. Respond to the Code Red when available and provide additional assistance if required.
  - B. If necessary, designate an IC. In the absence of a PCSI, a PCSII will assume IC duties in addition to WC/TFS responsibilities.
  - C. Ensure the Code Red is documented in the WC's/TFS's log.
  - D. Evaluate the circumstances of the Code Red and review all IRs.
  - E. Participate in a debriefing with all staff involved, when appropriate.
  - F. Review the handheld video camera and the Closed-Circuit Television Security System (CCTSS) recordings.

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- G. Consult with the IC on corrective actions and/or training needs.
  - H. Shall notify the On-Call Director and Facility Director when applicable.
  - I. If medical personnel are not on-site, the WC/TFS will be responsible for determining if a youth will be referred to the hospital emergency room or if Emergency Medical Services (911) is necessary for evaluation and treatment. The WC/TFS will coordinate the transport of the youth if needed.
- IV. Medical Services:
- A. The Correctional Nurse (CN) will respond to all "Code Reds" and stage until the scene is safe before rendering care.
  - B. The first responding Correctional Nurse will promptly conduct a physical examination of the youth in all use-of-force incidents.
  - C. If use of force results in the use of physical restraint or restraint devices, the responding CN or designee will assess the youth to confirm adequate circulation to the youth's extremities.
  - D. Will respond to any prolonged use of restraint devices as soon as possible, but no later than two (2) hours from the time of placement if it is safe to do so.
  - E. Will assess each youth involved in a Code Red to determine if further care is needed. The nurse will verify that breathing is adequate and that decontamination is in progress or complete.
  - F. Will advise the IC if the youth will be referred to the hospital emergency room for evaluation and treatment or if Emergency Medical Services (911) will be summoned.
  - G. Will complete all medical documentation and Medical Addendum Incident Reports, which will be submitted to the IC.
  - H. Document in the youth's Electronic Health Record (EHR).
- V. Forensic Adolescent Services Team (FAST):
- A. Respond to the unit when requested by staff and provide follow-up services as appropriate.
- VI. Central Control Staff:
- A. If a Code Red is verbally announced by staff, Central Control will announce "Code Red (location)" twice.
  - B. If the location of the incident is not announced when a Code Red Button has been activated, Central Control will announce, "(HT#) What is your status?" twice.
  - C. If Central Control observes a Code Red, they will announce, "Code Red (location)," twice.
  - D. In the case of no response, or if there is any response other than "Code Four," Central Control will announce, "Code Red (location)," twice.

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- E. If OC spray is used, Central Control will announce, "OC used (location), Nurse to (location)," twice.
- F. Stand by for further emergency requests or for the IC to cancel the Code Red.
- G. Once the Code Red is canceled or announced over by an IC, Central Control will announce "Code Red (location) Over," twice.
- H. If the Code Red is determined to be a false alarm, the IC will cancel the Code Red via HT. Central Control will announce over the HT, "Cancel Code Red, (location). HT# 10-21 Central Control."
- I. If the IC calls for Emergency Traffic Only, all radio traffic will stop until the Emergency Traffic Only is lifted. When the IC lifts the Emergency Traffic Only, the radio operator will announce on the HT that it has been lifted and that normal traffic may resume.
- J. Document Code Red in CE-Code Screen.