

**COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
CUSTODY DIVISION POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL**

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SERIOUS ILLNESS OF AN INMATE AND NOTIFICATION OF NEXT OF KIN

POLICY

The purpose of this order is to establish a procedure in which notification will be made to the next of kin or legal guardian in cases of serious illness to an inmate which may result in death.

PROCEDURE

When it becomes apparent an inmate has become so ill there is a possibility the inmate's mortality might be in jeopardy, the Operations Lieutenant will be notified. In the event the Lieutenant cannot be reached the Booking Sergeant will assume responsibility for completing this procedure.

After all medical emergency procedures have been satisfied in accordance with operational orders, the nursing staff will update the Sergeants on duty of any inmate who has any illness from which death may result. When an inmate falls in this category, it will be the responsibility of the Booking Sergeant to make sure the next of kin or legal guardian is notified in an expeditious fashion.

In those cases where the next of kin or legal guardian is not listed on the pre- booking form a diligent effort will be made to locate and notify the inmate's next of kin or legal guardian.

RELATED STANDARD

None

DATE REVISED

8-03-94

By order of

JAMIE SCARDINA
BUREAU COMMANDER