Syracuse Police Department

Supplemental Manual

Emergency Admissions

405.1 VIOLENT PERSONS

Agency Content

The St. Joseph's Hospital Comprehensive Psychiatric Evaluation Program (CPEP) Center located at 201 Prospect Avenue, has responsibility for all EPOS services in Onondaga County. Except as provided for below, patients taken into custody pursuant to the provisions of the MHL shall be transported to this facility for evaluation.

In the event that the patients medical condition warrants immediate attention (i.e. overdose, slashed wrist, etc.) and the St. Joseph's Hospital Medical Emergency Room is full or otherwise unable to accept the patient, the patient will be transported to an alternate medical emergency room for medical treatment.

After arrival at the alternate medical emergency room, and if in the judgment of the police officers, the patient is not acting in a manner that is threatening or disruptive, (i.e. is unconscious, incapacitated, etc.) then two officers will remain with the patient. All other officers will return to service. The officers causing the patient to be taken into custody shall notify a supervisor of the circumstances and of the number of officers who will be remaining with the patient.

Upon completion of the medical treatment, two officers will transport the patient to the St. Joseph's Hospital CPEP Center for evaluation.

If St. Joseph's Hospital CPEP Center is unable to receive an individual for any reason, members may be required to transport the person to a local hospital for evaluation.