# PROGRAM OPERATIONS DIRECTIVE # 37.0

SUBJECT: Completion of Court Orders for Refusal of Injection

# **ISSUED:** 3-12-2021

#### **PURPOSE:**

To clarify expectations for use of court orders and police response for individuals served by CMH who a have been court ordered to receive injections and refuse.

#### **DEFINITION:**

Court orders: any individual served that is a on a court order for mental health treatment. Injections: are any psychotropic injection prescribed by a CMH prescriber.

## **POPULATION:**

All case holders/clinicians.

## **REQUIREMENTS:**

As of March 12<sup>th</sup>, if a person served by CMH who is on a court order refuses their injection, the CMH case holder will file a notification of non-compliance (PCM 230) with the probate court, with an attachment to describe the situation and what they are requesting (for example, requesting a police presence during the next attempt to give the injection, hospitalization, etc.).

The assigned prescriber should be consulted prior to the notification of non-compliance being sent, to allow for their recommendation (police present for injection, hospitalization, etc.). If the treatment team recommends that the police assist in an injection, a CMH nurse and other treatment team member will contact the police and make a plan to meet the police at the residence.