Allegations of Maltreatment at Hospitals and DJJ Facilities

Allegations at hospitals

- The Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Office of Inspector General (OIG) investigates reports of abuse and neglect that are alleged to have occurred in a hospital setting (non-psychiatric) by staff.
- The four (4) OIG regional offices are:
 - Western Enforcement Branch Western State Hospital 2400 Russellville Road Hopkinsville, KY 42240 Phone: (270) 889-6052 Fax: (270) 889-6088 or (270) 889-6089
 - Northern Enforcement Branch L&N Building, 10-W 908 W. Broadway Louisville, KY 40203 Phone: (502) 595-4079 Fax: (502) 595-4540
 - Southern Enforcement Branch 116 Commerce Ave. London, KY 40744 Phone: (606) 330-2030 Fax: (606) 330-2056
 - Eastern Enforcement Branch 1055 Wellington Way, Suite 125 Lexington, KY 40513 Phone: (859) 246-2301 Fax: (859) 246-2307
- When an allegation of maltreatment at a hospital is received by the Cabinet, the centralized intake SSW:
 - Immediately telephones, the report to the complaint coordinator of the appropriate OIG office (refer to information above);
 - Faxes the completed DPP-115, using the Specialized Investigation Fax Coversheet (found on the Resources page) to OIG following the phone call; and
 - Sends a copy of the DPP-115 to the following:
 - Law enforcement;
 - The county or commonwealth attorney in the county in which the incident is alleged to have occurred; and

 The Child Protection branch via fax at (502) 564-3096 or email DCBSChildProtection@ky.gov.

Allegations at DJJ facilities

- Allegations involving juvenile justice facilities such as youth development/treatment centers, DJJ-operated/contracted group homes, and DJJ operated detention centers, are investigated by the Internal Investigations Unit, Office of the Secretary of the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet. DCBS has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet which gives them permission to investigate allegations of abuse or neglect that occur in Department of Juvenile Justice facilities with the exception of Louisville Metro Youth Detention Services (LMYDS).
- When an allegation of maltreatment at a DJJ facility is received by the Cabinet, the centralized intake SSW:
 - Immediately refers allegations to the Internal Investigations Unit of the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet (A twenty-four (24) hour hotline at 1-800-890-6854 is available, and voice mail is checked regularly on nights and weekends);
 Completes the DPP-115 and distributes it to the following:
 - DJJ, using the Specialized Investigation Fax Coversheet (via fax at 502-564-0250);
 - The local law enforcement agency or Kentucky state police;
 - The county or commonwealth attorney in the county where the incident is alleged to have occurred; and
 - Child Protection branch via fax at (502) 564-3096.
- Allegations at Louisville Metro Youth Detention Services:
 - Allegations involving youth placed at Louisville Metro Youth Detention are screened for acceptance criteria as with any other report.
 - If the report meets acceptance criteria, DCBS will investigate regardless of the youth's commitment status or agency.
 - If the report does not meet acceptance criteria, it will be documented as DNM and sent to the appropriate agency.
 - If the report is regarding a child on child allegation and there is no other program that meets acceptance criteria, it will be referred to law enforcement.

Information regarding different DJJ agencies

Internal Investigations Unit of the Justice Cabinet

 (502) 564-6688 or 1-800-890-6854, 24-hour hotline (checked regularly on nights and weekends).

DJJ youth development centers/treatment centers:

• Adair YDC (Youth Development Center) (Columbia)

- Audubon YDC (Louisville)
- Green River YDC (Cromwell)
- Lake Cumberland YDC (Monticello)
- Mayfield YDC (Mayfield)
- Morehead YDC (Morehead)
- Northern Kentucky YDC (Crittenden)
- Owensboro Treatment Center (Owensboro)
- Woodsbend YDC (West Liberty)

DJJ operated/contracted group homes:

- Ashland GH (Group Home) (Ashland)
- Bowling Green GH (Bowling Green)
- Burnside GH (Burnside)
- Frankfort GH (Frankfort)
- Frenchburg GH (Frenchburg)
- Hopkinsville GH (Hopkinsville)
- London GH (London)
- Middlesboro GH (Middlesboro)
- Murray GH (Murray)
- Westport GH (Louisville)

DJJ operated detention centers:

- Adair RJDC (Regional Juvenile Detention Center) (Columbia)
- Boyd RJDC (Ashland)
- Breathitt RJDC (Jackson)
- Campbell RJDC (Newport)
- Fayette RJDC (Lexington)
- Laurel RJDC (London)
- Lincoln Village RJDC (Elizabethtown)
- McCracken RJDC (Paducah)
- Warren RJDC (Bowling Green)