

OFFICE OF OPERATIONS

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TO: All Sworn Personnel

FROM: Director, Office of Operations

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS INITIATIVE

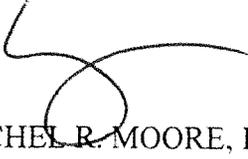
The Department continually strives to provide the best service to the communities we serve. To that end, the Department has partnered with the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) to conduct outreach and develop resource materials for families of individuals suffering from mental illness. As the nation's largest mental health service organization, NAMI provides various resources, guidance and support including free educational programs, and access to support and advocacy groups. The goal of this initiative is to provide to families and friends of individuals with mental illness with appropriate referrals to mental health professionals. These resources are being provided to help individuals with mental illness avoid having a mental health related crisis.

The Department and NAMI have developed two items designed to help serve people with mental illness. The first is the Community Mental Health Resource Guide. The resource guide contains referral information to numerous mental health clinics and other resources. The second is a 911 Checklist (English and Spanish) which provides an explanation of what to do if a friend or loved one experiences a mental health crisis and they need to call 911. The 911 Checklist includes an explanation of what to expect when the police respond to a mental health crisis.

A joint message from the Chief of Police and NAMI is now available to sworn personnel on the Department's Learning Management System, accessible on the Local Area Network (LAN). Sworn personnel should provide the resource guide and 911 Checklist to individuals with mental illness and their family or friends. This outreach can be accomplished at radio calls, community events, station front desks, jail facilities and any other place personnel believe that this information would be helpful to the community.

The Community Mental Health Resource Guide and the 911 Checklist will be distributed to the Areas and Custody Services Division. They are also accessible on the LAN under the Mental Evaluation Unit's, "Resource and Referral Information for Families" link. Additionally, these resources should be made available to the public in the front lobby of each Community Police Station. Additional resource guides and checklists can be requested from the Mental Evaluation Unit, Detective Support and Vice Division.

Please refer further questions to the Office of Operations, Evaluation and Administration Unit, at (213) 486-6050.

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MICHEL R. MOORE, First Assistant Chief
Director, Office of Operations

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