Subject: Providing Alternatives to Hinder Extremism (P.A.T.H.E.) strategy

Purpose: The P.A.T.H.E. is a risk assessment and management strategy used to identify behaviors, exhibited by a person suffering from a mental illness or mental health crisis, which are indicative of being on a pathway to a future act(s) of targeted mass violence. The PATHE includes tailored intervention strategies designed to assess, intervene, and manage the identified behaviors and provide supportive alternatives in order to divert the person, while managing the causative factors of the identified behaviors. The PATHE operates in the non-criminal space and is not designed as a criminal prosecutorial tool. If a criminal act is identified, then the case will be referred to the appropriate investigative entity.

Referral Sources: P.A.T.H.E. referrals can be made from internal or external sources; these include federal and local law enforcement, behavioral health, and/or community members.

Pre-screening Question: During your contact were there any statements or behaviors that would lead you to believe, that the individual you contacted, is at risk of being on a pathway to commit a future act of targeted mass violence?

* Field contact by uniformed officers or detectives

  - Officers or detectives, who come in contact with, a person(s) suffering from a mental illness or mental health crisis, who is exhibiting behaviors, which are indicative of being on a pathway to a future act(s) of targeted mass violence shall contact the Mental Evaluation Unit at 213-996-1300.

Note: If a crime has been committed, the criminal investigation shall take precedence over the mental health intervention. (Department Manual Section 4/260.20)

Note: If there is an active Criminal investigation, the case can be dual tracked in conjunction with the PATHE intervention. However, the PATHE intervention cannot be used in furtherance of the Criminal/Terrorism related investigation.
• Mental Evaluation Unit Triage
  
  - Dispatch a Systemwide Mental Assessment Response Team (SMART), if available
  - Complete MEU Incident Report
  - Ask pre-screening question (see above)
    - If answered in the affirmative
      - Check the PATHE box and complete a Referral to CAMP
      - Open PATHE tab on MEU Incident Report
        - Complete PATHE questionnaire (when practical)
        - Assign a risk level based on the initial contact (when practical)

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• Case Assessment Management Program (CAMP)
  
  - CAMP supervisors shall review all PATHE referrals
    - Evaluate the Initial Responder assigned Risk Level

  Note: If case is referred by CTSOB PATHE Coordinator/Approver, CAMP investigator shall complete the MEU Incident Report
  
  - Assign a CAMP Risk Level and CAMP category based on the totality of the information and sign the PATHE tab report completed
    - If case is assigned as a Category 1 CAMP case, assigned investigator shall open the PATHE tab on the MEU Incident Report
- CAMP team to conduct an in-person interview and complete or update the PATHE questionnaire

• If case is assigned as a Category 2 CAMP case
  - A case may only require follow up by the detective or clinician assigned, examples include:
    - Case involving a firearm;
    - An arrest with minimal history of mental health; and,
    - Case involving a person who is already linked to services.

• If case is assigned as a Category 3 CAMP case
  - A case where the level of risk is low; however a telephonic follow up to ensure the subject received appropriate mental health care at the time of the crisis, or cases that do not meet CAMP criteria.

• If case is assigned as a Category 4 CAMP case
  - A case is criminal in nature and is to be referred to the appropriate criminal investigative entity

Note: At any time the assigned CAMP investigative team may upgrade the case Category based on the ongoing investigation, or refer to the appropriate criminal investigative authority, with supervisory approval.