

2.5.8 Prisoner Transport to Medical Facility

I. POLICY

Providing for the safety and security of the officers, prisoners and the general public. To insure the preservation of the rights and safety of those prisoners and to prevent escape. It shall be the policy of the Johnstown Police Department that all officers comply with the provisions of this general order.

II. PURPOSE

The prevention of injury and safety of the officers is the main objective. It is the goal of this department to assure the highest possible standards for the safety and security of the prisoner and the transporting officer.

III. PROCEDURES

A. Transport Prisoner to a Medical Care Facility

1. When a prisoner is transported to a medical facility and admission is required for treatment, the officer will notify his supervisor immediately. The supervisor will make arrangements through the proper agencies to:
 - a. Have the prisoner released from police custody where appropriate.
 - b. Seek advice from the District Attorney or District Judge.
 - c. Have the prisoner held in a secure room if release from police custody is not possible.
 - d. Have personnel available for 24-hour surveillance.

Effective Date:

Date: March 15, 2007

By Order Of:

Craig Foust
Chief Of Police