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STATION ORDER 6320.7E

From: Commanding Officer
To: Distribution List

Subj: TREATMENT AND DISPOSITION OF DRUG OVERDOSED, INTOXICATED, OR
MENTALLY DISTURBED PERSONNEL

Ref: (a) NAVMED P117 (NOTAL)

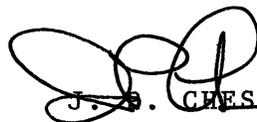
1. Purpose. To publish policy regarding the treatment and disposition of personnel overdosed, intoxicated, or mentally disturbed, including those who have attempted or threatened to commit suicide.
2. Cancellation. StaO 6320.7D.
3. Background. A primary responsibility of the Branch Medical Clinic Medical Officer is to ensure that all patients return to duty as soon as possible. Additionally, the Medical Officer has the responsibility to keep personnel from being admitted to the sick list when that action is not necessary. Some individuals initially in need of medical care subsequently require only some form of administrative detention. The Branch Medical Clinic staff is not responsible and has no authority to detain personnel who are not in need of medical observation or treatment, and is not expected to hold individuals at the Medical Clinic because their conduct may be socially unacceptable.
4. Information. The reference establishes general organization and policy for the Navy Medical Department. It makes heads of medical departments on ships and stations responsible to the Commanding Officer for the medical services of that activity. The functions of the medical department of a Naval activity are administered by the medical officer and staff in accordance with U. S. Navy Regulations, the Manual of the Medical Department, BUMED directives, and the orders and instructions of the Commanding Officer and competent higher authority.
5. Action
 - a. Whenever Navy or Marine Corps personnel are found to be or suspected of being overdosed, intoxicated from an unknown substance, or mentally disturbed, including potential suicides, they should be referred to the Branch Medical Clinic for appropriate examination and treatment. The Medical Officer will determine the final disposition as to whether or not they are to be admitted to the sick list. Patients not requiring hospitalization and/or further medical care will be released to the custody of the unit commanders. Administrative detention is a unit commander responsibility.

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b. Commanding Officers and Officers-in-Charge will assume custody of their respective personnel when requested by the Branch Medical Clinic. Personnel will be detained when requested by the Branch Medical Clinic Officer to provide security for patients identified as security risks.

6. Concurrence. The Commanding Officers of MAG-13, 2d LAAM Bn, MACS-7, MWSS-371, VMFT-401, MAWTS-1, and CSSD-16 concur in and make this Directive applicable to their respective Commands.


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