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DE-IDENTIFIED SUMMARY UNDER SECTION 167(2) OF THE CSPA

Original Police Service:

Date of Complaint: 01/14/2025

Type of Investigation:

Referred to Same Service: ☒

Referred to Other Service: ☐

Retained by LECA: ☐

Service Investigations Referred to:

De-identified Summary of Complaint

The CO was arrested and held for bail. The CO stated that she was denied medical attention during a mental health crisis.

Unsubstantiated Code of Conduct Allegations

Public-Unnecessary Force - Sec 11 CSPA Reg. 407/23 - Unsubstantiated

Duty-Follow Procedures - Sec 27 CSPA Reg. 407/23 - Unsubstantiated

Decision and Reasons

In the CO's complaint she did not list any specific officers and appeared to have more issues with how she was treated at the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] rather than how she was treated by the [REDACTED]. It is evident after watching several hours of cell block footage, BWC and ICC that officers were extremely patient with the CO. They spoke in calm voices and provided the CO numerous opportunities to walk on her own and comply to the direction the officers were providing her, to which she refused.

Police officers have authority under the mental health act "if" certain criteria or thresholds are met. In this case, the CO did not display violent behavior towards herself or others and therefore did not pose a threat. The CO started demanding to attend the hospital after being remanded by a Justice of the Peace to [REDACTED]. Police officers are aware that [REDACTED] has doctors and medical staff that could assess the CO upon her arrival. The CO takes prescription medication and upon request was provided the medication in a timely manner.

Within her complaint, the CO mentions "open wounds which became infected". None of the officers who dealt with the CO observed any injuries. The CO was completely naked for roughly 2 hours in her cell, officers conversed with the CO during that time and no injuries or wounds were observed. When the CO refused to walk back to her cell and needed to be guided by officers, the CO was wearing what appeared to be a wool or cotton full length dress, one piece, that covered her arms to her wrists and legs to her ankles. That dress would prevent any opportunity for cuts or scrapes sustained from the friction caused while being guided into the cell by her arms with her legs flat out on the ground. It is unknown however, if the CO sustained any injuries while at OCDC. It is believed that the CO spent roughly one week at [REDACTED] before being released.

There is no evidence to suggest that any of the officers involved with the CO used any unlawful or unnecessary force, went beyond the parameters of their authority, were uncivil or otherwise fail to follow policy/procedures amounting to misconduct. The allegations made against the RO's are unsubstantiated.