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	SUBJECT  <b>INDECENT EXPOSURE</b>		EFFECTIVE DATE <b>10/23/09</b>
			OVERSIGHT <b>Investigations</b>
	DISTRIBUTION <b>ALL MANUALS</b>	AMENDS/SUPERSEDES/CANCELS P&P # 902 dated 11/30/98.	

I. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to establish and maintain a standard method for the investigation of indecent exposure complaints.

II. POLICY:

It shall be the policy of the Hampton Police Division that the Crimes Against Persons Unit will investigate all indecent exposure complaints assigned to Investigative Services.

III. PROCEDURE:

A. In every instance in which a complaint of indecent exposure is made, the officer or investigator will follow-up the matter and ensure that the following tasks are accomplished.

1. An IBR report will be completed to document as much detail as available from the reporting person or witnesses on the suspect's description, method of operations, vehicle description or other significant aspects of the case.
2. Where feasible or applicable, a composite picture of the suspect will be prepared with assistance from the Forensics Unit for Division distribution prior to Pistol RMS Mug Shot Book review.
3. If the case is investigated by Uniformed personnel, an information copy will be forwarded to the Crimes Against Persons (CAP) Unit whether or not formal charges are filed. This information will be utilized to compare with other cases for similarities.
4. The investigating Officer or Detective will contact the Crime Analysis Unit and the Criminal Intelligence Unit in an effort to make comparisons of suspect description information and attempt to link related cases. The Crime Analysis Unit or the Criminal Intelligence Unit will search available databases in an effort to identify possible suspects.

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APPROVED:  
CHIEF OF POLICE



5. If difficulties arise in obtaining witness or victim information from juvenile females, the CAP Unit supervisor will be contacted to arrange for an investigator to assist or a female police officer will be assigned to assist in the interviews.
6. Should an apprehension or identification be made and the case is a felony, the CAP Unit supervisor will be made aware without delay so that any similar reports under investigation can be researched and compared.
7. If probable cause is established in a felony investigation, the investigating officer/detective will obtain a warrant or petition on behalf of the victim. In the case of a misdemeanor offense, the victim will be instructed on the procedures to obtain a warrant or petition as the first option and the officer will assist the complainant in that regard or obtain the warrant or petition for the victim should circumstances dictate.
8. In any case investigation cleared by arrest, a full case file with all pertinent information for prosecution will be prepared and forwarded to the Commonwealth Attorney in the prescribed manner.
9. Any required Crime Analysis bulletins, teletypes or other communications to be made with other jurisdictions on a particular case will be the responsibility of the investigating officer or detective. Crimes Against Persons Unit members are available for any required assistance on these types of case investigations.

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