5-04-300 Alleged Juveniles

PURPOSE OF ORDER:

State law prohibits the housing of juvenile inmates in any location where contact with adult inmates could occur. This order is written to comply with this law and to establish guidelines for identifying and temporarily housing alleged juvenile inmates.

SCOPE OF ORDER:

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This order shall apply to all personnel assigned to and/or working in any capacity at Twin Towers Correctional Facility.

ORDER:

If an inmate housed at TTCF claims to be a juvenile (under 18 years of age), or independent information indicates such, the alleged juvenile inmate shall immediately be segregated from all adult inmates. If the alleged juvenile inmate shares a cell with another inmate, he/she shall immediately be moved into a cell by himself. If a cell is not available in his current module, the deputy investigating the allegation shall find the nearest vacant cell to house the alleged juvenile until the completion of his investigation. Regardless of the temporary housing location, every effort shall be made to isolate the alleged juvenile from any adult inmate.

The IRC Watch Deputy shall be contacted to start an investigation. All alleged juveniles shall be investigated by IRC per existing Department policy. Specific details for conducting an investigation are set forth in the IRC Unit Manual.

If the investigation determines that the inmate is a juvenile, the Module Prowler shall arrange to have the inmate housed in a housing location suitable for juveniles. Refer to Unit Order #5-04-310, Juvenile Inmate Housing.

If the inmate's age cannot be confirmed, the inmate shall be handled as a juvenile and housed separately. If the alleged juvenile inmate's claims are proven false, an Inmate Discipline Report shall be written.
