

Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA®)

Standard for Event Deconfliction Systems

46.2.8 Event Deconfliction Systems

If the agency participates in a formal Event Deconfliction System(s), a written directive provides direction regarding its use and accountability measures, to include:

- a. qualifying events and contact resources;*
- b. authorized users and administrators;*
- c. information authorized for release to system provider; and*
- d. system contacts and internal distribution of information requirements.*

Commentary

Event Deconfliction Systems are used by public safety to identify law enforcement events occurring in close proximity, thereby promoting safety and effectiveness. This is particularly important for agencies in concurrent or contiguous jurisdictions that are involved in high-risk activities, such as undercover operations, surveillance, execution of search warrants, or fugitive apprehension. The Event Deconfliction System receives information from agencies and then provides notifications when qualifying activities are occurring in close proximity.

Participation in these systems has been endorsed by the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the U.S. Department of Justice, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, the Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative, and the Executive Office of the President of the United States. Event Deconfliction Systems can enhance officer safety, reduce risk and liability, safeguard the community, promote case integrity, enhance criminal investigations, and encourage the effective use of critical resources. Any participation should be with a recognized system that maximizes data collection and information sharing, while controlling information access. It is encouraged that a steering committee of participating agencies within designated geographic areas meet regularly to discuss participation and benchmarks and evaluate the system's effectiveness, along with authoring a Memorandum of Understanding that clearly defines responsibilities, scope, and security protocols for the involved agencies, which is reviewed at least triennially.

This standard does not apply to existing informal methods of Event Deconfliction with other agencies. (MMMM)

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NOTE: A model policy is available at www.ncirc.gov/Deconfliction for agencies to use in the implementation of this policy.