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| **PURPOSE:** | To instruct PCCO staff on unknown or dangerous substance. |
| **SCOPE:** | This guideline applies to sworn PCCO personnel. |
| **GUIDELINE:** | 1. If unknown substances have HAZ-MAT teams determine safety and mitigation needs. 2. For dangerous substance consult Safety PPE, and mitigation needs. 3. Proper PPE needs to be assessed for the level of contamination and job being performed. Such as Nitrile gloves, N-95 masks, PAPR, eye protection, shoe covers and **Naloxone Injector(s)** 4. Utilize proper doffing technics and disposal in a biohazard bag. 5. **Do NOT** use hand sanitizers to wash up. Water and or soap and water. 6. Scene’s involving an unidentified or dangerous drug contaminated scene, our Tyvek suit and fitted respiratory mask. Remember with Fentanyl that nitrile gloves are rated at about an hour. 7. Make sure you use a buddy system with someone on in the green zone keeping in contact with people working in the red zone. 8. When working in this environment think of having EMS on standby, staged, or on-scene. Remember it may have just killed the party or parties already. 9. Avoid prolonged handling of substance or use other utensils to gather evidence. 10. If unsure check with the incident command of involving a Haz-Mat team. 11. Prolonged scenes remember to watch your time in the hot zone. |
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