

Forced Blood Draws

215.1 FORCED BLOOD DRAWS BY SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL

Custody staff *may* assist Sheriff's Office personnel with forced blood draws on *felony arrests only*. The Watch Commander on duty within the jail, *may*, at his/her discretion, authorize the use of the restraint chair for the safety of the subject from whom the blood is being drawn, particularly if the subject becomes agitated or combative. Custody staff *will not* assist with, nor do forced blood draws, on misdemeanor arrests unless authorized by Jail Administration or higher authority.

215.2 FORCED BLOOD DRAWS BY OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL

Other law enforcement agencies may do forced blood draws on felony or misdemeanor arrests using their own staff to assist