

### SCC Preparation:

Sticking Point:	Stakeholder:	Recommendation:	Status:
#1 - Notification process/ESRC preparation begins when SCC is notified of unconditional discharge hearing.	SCC  KPAO/AGO	SCC to document and formalize process for notifying LE of SCC resident releases, to include which agencies should be notified.  KCPAO and AGO will provide the SCC with notification on upcoming hearings from King Co. and AGO to better prepare them for a potential release, and to allow the SCC to begin LEN, scoring and ESRC review.	
#2 – DOC Investigation process includes discussions with local LE and community members. Discussions with community members can increase community concerns and can be viewed as a community notification prior to the official law enforcement notification.	DOC	Civil Commitment Unit to discuss options for more collaborative/consistent approach to meetings and discussions with LE and community members.	

### ESRC:

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#3 - What are the trigger points for SCC to bring a case to ESRC?	SCC	SCC to document and formalize process for notifying LE of SCC resident releases. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DOC investigation</li> <li>• Notice of Unconditional hearing/agreement</li> <li>• Notice of Dismissal hearing</li> </ul>	

### Release date or court order received:

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#4- In some cases the SCC has little notice of resident releases (unconditional releases/discharges) and this may hinder their ability to complete law enforcement notification prior to 30 days.	KCPAO/AGO	KCPAO and AGO will provide the SCC with notification on upcoming hearings from King Co. and AGO to better prepare them for a potential release, and to allow the SCC to begin the LE notification process	
#5- The SCC may not know which local law enforcement jurisdiction to notify if the resident does not	SCC	SCC to document and formalize process to identify other resources to obtain a release address (i.e. defense, prosecutor, DOC, etc.) when the resident is unwilling to provide an address at the 30 day LE notification point.	

voluntarily provide their release address.		<p>SCC to continue to send release notifications to WASPC RCW 71.09.140:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sheriff where resident will reside</li> <li>• Sheriff of last SO conviction (if SCC does not know where the person will reside)</li> <li>• WSP for entry in WACIC</li> <li>• Chief of City where resident will reside</li> </ul>	
#6- The SCC needs to be more consistent in who they send the law enforcement notifications to.	SCC	SCC to document and formalize process identifying where notifications are sent in order to ensure consistent notification practices.	
#7- Conflicting Statutes – One statute says 30-day notification must be done, while another says someone cannot be held if they do not meet criteria (leads to a 24-hour release).	KCPAO/AGO	The AGO and KCPAO will provide notice of hearings to the SCC so they can prepare for potential 24-hour dismissals.	
#8- Some SCC secure emails go to junk mail, some agencies not receiving law enforcement notifications.	SCC	The SCC will have further internal discussions to determine if securing their emails is necessary, and if so in what instances. The SCC may consider uploading all documents to OffenderWatch instead of attaching them to the email, as this may solve the issue of requiring secure emails.	
#9- Timing of Notifications to law enforcement.	<p>SCC</p> <p>Treatment Discharge Planning and Conditions Sub-Committee</p>	<p>SCC to document and formalize a process to include pre-registration as a method to update LE on final release address when the address is unknown at the 30-day notification.</p> <p>Sub-committee will be asked to consider whether DSHS should pay for housing while a resident awaits release in order to secure housing. Courts have been ordering SCC to complete LE notifications before final order to release is signed, essentially requiring a notification before anyone knows for sure that the resident will live there.</p>	
#10- Timing of Victim/Witness Notifications.	DSHS Victim/Witness Program notification process update	The DSHS Victim/Witness Program will coordinate with WASPC to include information on how to access the state public sex offender website.	
#11- SCC distribution list may be shared more broadly, impacting safety of the defense and releasing clients.	SCC	The SCC will add a line to notification emails requesting that the information contained not be disseminated more broadly.	

**Community notification:**

Issue:	Stakeholder:	Recommendation:	Status:
#12 – The general public lacks information about the state sex offender public website.	WASPC	<p>WASPC will review the existing sex offender public website and work with the vendor to more prominently display RSO information/facts and FAQs.</p> <p>WASPC will develop information resources for distribution to appropriate entities for further dissemination in the community.</p>	In progress
#13 – Community members often have inconsistent perceptions of what community notification should look like.	WASPC	WASPC will add information about community notification to the sex offender public website and will include that information in resources to be developed. (See #12).	In progress
#14 – Community members do not understand the purpose of community meetings.	WASPC	WASPC will add information about the purpose of community notification meetings to the sex offender public website and will include that information in resources to be developed. (See #12 and #13).	In progress
#15 – There is a perception that notification is too inflammatory and sometimes may include an individual’s original mugshot.	WASPC	WASPC will update their model policy to reflect the need for use of current photographs on the state public sex offender website and notification bulletins, flyers and other materials intended for public information.	In progress
#16 – Notification meetings need a common set of agreed upon facts to present either visually, or as handouts that include purpose of community meetings.	WASPC	<p>WASPC will add additional information to their model policy to standardize community notification meetings.</p> <p>WASPC will continue to update their resources page for local law enforcement and will add any additional resources, such as educational flyers, if/when they are created.</p> <p>WASPC will continue to provide additional discussion/training at SONAR meetings.</p>	In progress