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New York Mental Hygiene Law - MHY § 9.41 Emergency admissions. For Immediate Release, East Greenbush, NY, June 15, 2019

A concerned wife called the police to report her husband missing and that she feared he may be doing harm to himself. Officer Edward J. Witko responded and began an investigation into the matter. Officer Witko was able to determine that the husband left the residence with prescription pills and a bottle of scotch on foot. The Rensselaer County Search and Rescue Team were summoned to the scene and after a brief search Officer Mark J. Herrington located the husband unconscious in a local construction yard. The man was taken into protective custody and transported to Samaritan Hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

In other cases;

A concerned husband called the police stating that his wife had cut her wrist in the bathroom and was bleeding. Officer Devin Jukes responded and found the wife to be intoxicated with a small laceration on her wrist. She was taken into protective custody and transported to Samaritan Hospital.

Patrols were dispatched to a local hotel for an out of control male in the lobby. The caller came to check on the subject in question and found him to be belligerent and threatening people. When Officer Nicholas Peter arrived, he found the man highly intoxicated and incoherent. He was taken into protective custody and transported to Samaritan Hospital by Bruen Rescue Squad.

A local hotel manager called 911 to report that a highly intoxicated female was walking in traffic on Route 4. Officer Nicholas J. Peter arrived and found the woman shouting obscenities and stating she wanted to do harm to herself. She was taken into protective custody.

Patrols responded to a local residence for a mother and son domestic, while interviewing them, the mother stated she wanted to do harm to herself. She was taken into protective custody by Officer Mark J. Herrington.

While in protective custody, all individuals receive services at Samaritan Hospital's regional mental health reception center for evaluation, counseling and family assistance on a case by case basis.