

403.785 Duties of law enforcement officers and agencies.

- (1) A court issuing an order of protection shall direct the appropriate law enforcement agency to assist the petitioner in having the provisions of the order complied with.
- (2) When a law enforcement officer has reason to suspect that a person has been the victim of domestic violence and abuse, the officer shall use all reasonable means to provide assistance to the victim, including but not limited to:
 - (a) Remaining at the location of the call for assistance so long as the officer reasonably suspects there is danger to the physical safety of individuals there without the presence of a law enforcement officer;
 - (b) Assisting the victim in obtaining medical treatment, including transporting the victim to the nearest medical facility capable of providing the necessary treatment; and
 - (c) Advising the victim immediately of the rights available to them, including the provisions of this chapter.
- (3) Orders of protection shall be enforced in any county of the Commonwealth.
- (4) Officers acting in good faith under this section shall be immune from criminal and civil liability.
- (5) Each law enforcement agency shall report all incidents of actual or suspected domestic violence and abuse within their knowledge to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department for Community Based Services, within forty-eight (48) hours of learning of the incident or of the suspected incident.

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