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**020.00 EXPEDITED COURT APPEARANCE FOR YOUNG OFFENDERS**

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020.02 The Nunn Commission report was completed on December 5, 2006, and made numerous recommendations. This governance standard is in response to one of those recommendations.

020.03 Operational or administrative policy and procedure approved by the police agency is to ensure:

- (a) that any young person charged with a serious offence (as defined in 020.04) will appear in a Youth Court within seven (7) days of the charge being laid.
- (b) that any young person charged with a non-serious offence and who has pending charges, meaning three (3) or more criminal charges within the preceding year, is to appear in Youth Court within seven (7) days.

020.04 Serious crime offence categories for the purpose of having a youth appear in Youth Court within seven (7) days of being charged with one (1) or more of these offences include:

- (a) Murder 1<sup>st</sup> degree; Murder 2<sup>nd</sup> degree; Manslaughter; Infanticide; Criminal negligence causing death; other offences causing death;
- (b) Attempted murder; Conspiracy to commit murder;
- (c) Aggravated sexual assault; Sexual assault with a weapon; other sexual offences (includes sexual interference, invitation to sexual touching, sexual exploitation, sexual exploitation of a person with a disability, incest, and anal intercourse and bestiality);
- (d) Aggravated assault; Assault with a weapon or causing bodily harm; Unlawfully causing bodily harm;
- (e) Criminal negligence causing bodily harm;
- (f) Kidnaping; Hostage taking; Abduction under 16;
- (g) Child pornography - possession and production;
- (h) Robbery;
- (i) Extortion;
- (j) Use of explosives causing death/bodily harm;
- (k) Arson;
- (l) Criminal Code motor vehicle offences which endanger the public, including dangerous driving, impaired driving and motor vehicle theft;

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- (m) Firearms offences;
  - (n) Home invasions;

020.05 Any information charging a young person with an offence will be uploaded on the Justice Enterprise Information Network (JEIN) system within 24 hours of Court staff receiving the Information. This will enable Police officers to be able to check JEIN for pending charges when charging a young person with a non-serious offence.