



To: All Assessors
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Re: Notes from Assessor Training December 5, 2016
From: Joel Brown

1. An **update was provided on the Collaborative** by Ed Burkhammer.
 - 246 applications have been submitted
 - 49 agencies have self-certifications documents in review
 - 91 agencies have been received final certification.
2. Many agencies have questioned what the **final product for the Ohio Collaborative** will look like. Kathy Mahl indicated that we will have approximately 12-15 standards and **it has been recommended** that no more than 3 standards will be introduced per calendar year.
3. Some **important changes to the program**:
 - Certification will now be every 4 years instead of 3
 - Agencies that are already certified do not need to submit paperwork each year **except for the** new standards introduced. However, agencies should continue to comply annually with the standards and have that compliance proof available for review at year four.
4. **New Standards have been approved**:
 - Community Policing (previously approved) will go into effect March 1, 2017
 - a. The compliance checklist is updated on the OCJS website
 - b. A sample police for Community Policing is also on the OCJS website
 - A body worn camera standard was approved and is attached
 - A Tele-communicator standard (dispatching) was approved and is attached
 - The last two standards are expected to go into effect March 1, 2017, but Kathy mentioned the forms and samples are yet to be updated
5. The **formatting of the standards has changed**. Kathy clarified that **verbatim adherence is not required for standards**, also a memo is not required. This issue has been especially confusing due to some of the FOP communications.
6. **Assessors and Peers are doing a great job and their continued "marketing"** of the Ohio Collaborative is needed and appreciated.
7. Take advantage and have agencies **take advantage of the compliance checklist**—it leads you through the process. Also, read and sign and testing needs to be completed before submissions.
8. **A final listing of all agencies will be published in March 2017** and will list all Ohio Law Enforcement agencies. The report will show individual agency status regarding Ohio Collaborative compliance.

9. We **do expect a “rush” to meet the March 2017 deadline.** Consequently, a date has been established of 2/1/2017 to have agencies submit all of their self-compliance documents. However, all efforts will be made to review all submissions prior the March deadline.
10. **OACP has some individuals that have volunteered to assist with reviewing self-compliance documents—if needed.**

Kathy Mahl complimented the assessors and stated that their work product and time efficiency has exceeded her expectation. Both Kathy and Ed mentioned and have demonstrated their willingness to work with agencies to achieve certification.