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Officer Involved Critical Incident - 1132 Ashwood Drive, South Charleston, OH (L)

Investigative Activity: Information Provided/Obtained

Date of Activity: 07/24/2022

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Narrative:

On July 24, 2022, BCI Special Agent Dave Hornyak traveled to the Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton, Ohio, to check on the status of Clark County Sheriff's Deputy Matt Yates, who was struck by gunfire during an Officer-Involved Critical Incident that occurred in South Charleston, Ohio, earlier that day. Deputy Yates was transported to the hospital via Life Flight and pronounced deceased at 1523 hours, just minutes after arriving.

SA Hornyak spoke with attending physician, Dr. Walusimbi who stated that the deputy had been pronounced deceased after arriving with no signs of life and that no thorough examination of his body had been conducted being immediately unnecessary due to his death. With the doctor present, SA Hornyak and SA Kevin Wagner visually examined Dep. Yates' visible injuries and noted a bullet entry wound under his left lower lip, a several inch laceration on his right cheek, and bleeding from his right ear. The area around his right eye was bruised with his eye visibly distended. A defibrillation pad remained on his right chest and Dep. Yates had also been intubated making most of his neck area inaccessible to view. The agents only observed the front of the body down to the upper torso. SA Wagner photographed the visible injuries.

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