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1. PURPOSE. The purpose of this chapter is to establish policy and procedures regarding the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), California Firearms Injury Report.

2. GENERAL. The Aroner-Scott-Hayden Firearms Safety Act of 1999, added Article 4.5 to Chapter 1 of Title 2 of Part 4, to the California Penal Code (PC). Pursuant to Section 12088.5 PC, each lead law enforcement agency that investigates an incident of an unintentional or self-inflicted gunshot wound involving a victim 18 years of age or younger, shall report specified information to the CDPH.

3. POLICY.
 - a. Field personnel shall complete a California Firearms Injury Report in every instance where the CHP is the lead enforcement agency investigating an unintentional or self-inflicted gunshot wound with a victim 18 years of age or younger. This report shall not be used to report assaults.

 - b. The California Firearms Injury Report form and instructions are available on the CHP Intranet site under the Forms tab ➤ Other ➤ CDPH ➤ California Firearms Injury Report (18 Years of Age or Under). A copy of the form is to be retained by the Area command responsible for the investigation, and the original shall be routed/mailed to CDPH at the following address:

California Department of Public Health
Injury and Violence Prevention Branch, MS 7214
P. O. Box 997377
Sacramento, CA 95899-7377

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