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2.9	Ensure that any contact with the media is in accordance with service policy and does not undermine the integrity of the case or future hearings	5109468/13 (Page 14) [REDACTED] / witness testimony
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Sudden and unexplained deaths of WHITOWRTH, WALGATE and KOVARI

I was Pauls Line Manager for around six months whilst working in the CID Main office. I am the FLC for the borough of Barking and Dagenham. I am aware that Paul is FLO. There was a sudden unexplained death on the borough with possible suspicious circumstances surrounding it. I tasked Paul to act as the FLO for the family. A few months later there was a further two un explained deaths with similar circumstances to the first. Paul was also tasked to act as FLO for these.

There were some very difficult and diverse circumstances surrounding these deaths. Firstly all three men were gay and they were using dating websites to meet men and also attend parties that had been organized where it appeared there were drugs actively being used and sexual activity happening. All Three deceased men appear to have died of an overdose of GHB, one that appeared to be a suicide using this drug. It was unclear how much there families knew of their sexual orientation and there use of drugs and meeting other men. Paul met and spoke with the families explaining his role and providing them with as much information as he could but also being sensitive to the families trying to see ho much they knew about there sons life. With regards to one of the deceased he worked with the deceased partner taking information and statements from him in a sensitive manor sue to the situation trying to establish the deceased lifestyle and last movements and any issues he had.

Paul organized the families being able to attend the scene where there sons had died and organized viewing of the deceased for them to say there goodbyes. With one of the deceased there was a suicide note left with a lot of detail the parents wanted to see this so this was arranged and dealt with in a sensitive manner.

During this the media wanted information on these death.s Paul Liaised with myself and DCI Kirk and we established the information that wanted to give the press, with Paul discussing this with the family about why this was necessary and the pros and cons of the press release.

Throughout this difficult time for the families Paul acted professionally, sensitively and kept in contact with the family fully updating them with al information. Paul kept detailed records in his FLO log which was supervised by myself

Examples of CSU SPECIAL MEASURES at court?
ID procedures.....

3.11	Identify and take account of any issues with regard to fear of giving evidence	MUST BE A CSU CASE FOR THIS??? Any cases where you have convinced the victim / witness to gve evidence?
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