

Terms of Reference

Mental Health Committee

1.0 Introduction

The Mental Health Committee was established to encourage research and promote treatment options pertaining to public safety communicators.

2.0 Authority

The Mental Health Committee has a mandate to provide support, expertise and training recommendations to the APCO Canada membership on mental health related issues.

3.0 Composition and Term

The Mental Health Committee consists of:

- interested members of APCO Canada; and,
- An APCO Canada Board Member who will serve as the Chairperson

4.0 Decision Making

Recommendations going forward will be presented to the Board of Directors in the form of a Decision Document from the Mental Health Committee and will be representative of the committee as a whole.

5.0 Meetings

Meetings will be scheduled quarterly or as required. Meetings may be held through teleconference or in person.

6.0 Role

The role of the Mental Health Committee is to:

- Maintain a relationship between APCO Canada and Canadian mental health organizations;
- Foster communication between APCO Canada and Canadian mental health organizations;

- Monitor and report on public safety communications mental health developments, products and research;
- Develop a strategy for the sustainment of a public safety mental health column on the APCO Canada website;
- Provide support, expertise and recommendations to APCO Canada on technical, regulatory and legislative issues pertaining to mental health;

7.0 Accountability

The Mental Health Committee will report quarterly through the APCO Canada Board Member who serves as Chairperson.