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The University of New Hampshire Police Department is schedule for an on-site assessment as part of a program to renew it national accreditation by verifying that it meets professional law enforcement standards.

Administered by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA), this program requires agencies to comply with state-of-the-art standards in four basic areas: policy and procedures, administration, operation, and support services. The UNH Police Department was first granted Recognition status in 2004, followed by full CALEA Accreditation in 2007, and reaccreditation in 2010 and 2013. In addition, the department also was given accreditation by the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administration (IACLEA) in 2008.

The accreditation assessment will be held from March 29 through April 1, 2016. During this period of review, the UNH Police Department will demonstrate to the on-site assessors that the department continues to comply with the nearly 400+ professional standards established by the national CALEA organization.

As part of this on-site assessment, agency employees and members of the community are invited to offer comments to the assessors at a public information session on Wednesday March 30, 2016, beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the Theatre II (room 312) in the Memorial Union Building (MUB) on the university campus. Additionally, telephone comments can be addressed to the assessors by calling 603-862-4700 or 603-862-0699 between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.

All comments will be limited to ten (10) minutes and must address the agency’s ability to comply with the CALEA standards. A copy of the standards is available at the University Police Department at 18 Waterworks Rd on the Durham campus during regular business hours.

Anyone wishing to submit written comments about the University of New Hampshire Police Department’s ability to comply with the standards for accreditation may send them to the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement. Inc. (CALEA), 13575 Heathcote Boulevard, Suite 320, Gainesville, Virginia, 22030-2215 or www.calea.org.