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d. **Review of Inmates with a Psychology Alert (PSY ALERT) Assignment.** The PSY ALERT assignment is applied to inmates with substantial mental health concerns that require extra care when their housing is changed or they are transferred. Generally, the PSY ALERT assignment is to be applied in special mental health cases that will likely pose management and security concerns for the institution when an inmate's housing is changed or when a transfer occurs. The guiding principle of the PSY ALERT assignment is continuity of care. Inmates with a PSY ALERT assignment are reviewed by a psychologist upon arrival. Inmates with a PSY ALERT assignment must always have a face to face interview with a psychologist before releasing to general population. Placement in SHU in lieu of general population is not an acceptable alternative to a face to face interview with a psychologist. If an inmate with a PSY ALERT assignment arrives at the institution during a time period when no psychologist is scheduled to be on duty, the face to face interview is conducted by the Mental Health Duty Officer.

In addition, inmates with a PSY ALERT assignment are reviewed by a psychologist when under consideration for a transfer and when placed in restrictive housing. To ensure this review occurs, applicable inmates receive a PSY ALERT assignment in SENTRY, as described in the Program Statement **SENTRY Psychology Alert Function**. Enhanced psychological review procedures for inmates with a PSY ALERT assignment are detailed in the above Program Statement, as well as general guidelines for placing an inmate in PSY ALERT status