



Seattle Office of Inspector General

To: Bonnie Glen, Interim Director
CC: Mary Opler, Investigations Supervisor
From: Mary Prang, Investigation Specialist
Date: 10/24/2025
Re: OIG Partial Certification for Case Number: 2023OPA-0273

OIG Partial Certification Memo

OIG has reviewed the investigation for case number 2023OPA-0273. The investigation is certified as timely, however cannot be certified as thorough or objective.

Thoroughness – The ROI states the Education and Training Section (ETS) notes no training specific to courses in Cornerstone related to child abuse (not sexual assault) and mandatory reporting. However, there is no further investigation regarding any training which would have been provided to sworn personnel and their obligation as mandatory reporters in general. There were no inquiries with Legal or BLEA and no notation of other courses in Cornerstone which may address sworn personnel's reporting obligation which cover a number of topics, including sexual assault. OIG does not believe OPA has done enough investigation into the NE's claim of not knowing he was a mandatory reporter.

Objectivity – During the OPA interview, several attempts to illicit a response from the NE regarding his obligation to report and his decisions related thereto were made. Eventually the questions became leading, explaining the NE's thought process instead of allowing the NE to directly explain his actions or lack thereof. Additionally, the OPA investigator altered his questions or excluded them when objections were raised during the NE interview. OPA should ask the questions they deem appropriate for their investigation and not be influenced by external input.

Respectfully,

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