

TITLE 83 - JAIL STANDARDS BOARD - STANDARDS FOR JUVENILE  
DETENTION FACILITIES

CHAPTER 11 - HEALTH SERVICES

001 Health Authority, Designated. The facility shall have a written agreement or contract with a physician or other health authority such as a hospital or clinic to provide health care services. If the health authority is other than a physician, final medical judgements shall rest with a single designated responsible physician licensed in the state.

002 Health Authority, Medical Judgements. Except for regulations necessary to ensure the safety and order of the facility, all matters of medical, mental health, and dental judgement shall be the sole province of the responsible clinicians.

003 Written Policies and Procedures. The facility shall have written policies and procedures, approved by the facility physician, to govern the delivery of medical, dental, and mental health services. The written policies and procedures shall address, at a minimum, the following:

003.01 Receiving screening;

003.02 Collection of health appraisal data;

003.03 Non-emergency medical services;

003.04 Emergency medical and dental services;

003.05 First-aid and CPR;

003.06 Screening, referral, and care of juveniles who may be suicide-prone, or experience physical, mental or emotional disabilities;

003.07 Arrangements for providing chronic and convalescent care;

003.08 Arrangements for providing close medical supervision of juveniles with special medical or psychiatric problems;

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003.09 Delousing procedures;

003.10 Infectious disease control;

003.11 Arrangements for providing detoxification;

003.12 Handling of pharmaceuticals; and

003.13 Notification of next of kin in case of serious illness, injury or death.

004 Medical Employees, Licensing. All state licensing, certification, and/or registration requirements and restrictions shall apply to medical personnel. Copies of current credentials for each medical employee shall be kept on file in the facility or on file in contracting entity records.

005 Medical Employees, Job Descriptions. The facility shall have written job descriptions for all medical personnel which define their respective roles in the facility's health care system.

006 Health Care Staffing. The facility shall employ or retain under contract at least one (1) full-time or part-time medical professional, such as a nurse, physician's assistant, or emergency medical technician. In lieu of medical personnel, the facility administrator may designate employees who have received training to carry out specific duties to coordinate the delivery of health care services. The designated employees shall carry out their duties under the joint supervision of the facility administrator and the facility physician.

007 Health Care Facilities. The space, equipment, supplies, and materials necessary for those services provided at the facility shall be available.

008 First-aid Supplies. First-aid supplies shall be available in the facility at all times. The facility physician shall determine strategic locations for first-aid supplies and shall specify their contents. The facility administrator shall establish a procedure for the monthly inspection and maintenance of the supplies.

009 Medical Screening. Medical screening shall be performed on all juveniles upon admission to the facility. The findings shall be recorded on a printed form approved by the facility physician. The medical screening shall include, at a minimum, the following:

Inquiry into:

009.01 Current illness and health problems, including dental problems, sexually transmitted diseases and other infectious diseases;

009.02 Medication taken and special health requirements;

009.03 Use of alcohol or drugs, which includes types, methods, date or time of last use, and a history of problems that may have occurred after ceasing use;

009.04 Past or present treatment or hospitalization for mental disturbance or suicidal behavior;

009.05 Mental illness; and

009.06 Other health problems designated by the facility physician.

Observation of:

009.07 Behavior, including state of consciousness, mental status, appearance, conduct, tremor, or sweating; and

009.08 Body deformities, physical injuries, trauma markings, bruises, jaundice, rashes, evidence of body vermin, ease of movement, etc.

Disposition to:

009.09 General population;

009.10 General population and referral to appropriate health care services; or

009.11 Immediate referral to health care services.

010 Requests for Treatment. Juveniles' requests for medical treatment shall be collected daily. Requests for treatment shall be reviewed by medical professionals or the designated trained employee described in 006 above to determine appropriate disposition or referred directly to the facility physician.

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011 Orders, Direct/Standing. All treatment provided by medical personnel other than physicians and dentists shall be performed pursuant to standing or direct orders. Physician's assistants and nurse practitioners may practice within the limits of state law, provided such practice is approved by the facility physician.

012 Medical Isolation. Juveniles suspected of having contagious or infectious diseases shall be temporarily isolated immediately from other juveniles and shall be examined by a physician promptly. In such cases where removal to a hospital is not ordered, the physician's instructions regarding care of the patient and sanitizing of eating utensils, clothing, and bedding shall be carefully followed.

013 Dental Services. Reasonable dental care shall be available and provided to juveniles when the health of the juvenile during the confinement would otherwise be adversely affected.

014 Detoxification. Arrangements shall be made for providing detoxification programs under medical supervision of alcohol and drug-dependant juveniles either in the facility or through transfer to other facilities.

015 Informed Consent. All examinations, treatments, and procedures affected by informed consent requirements shall be observed for juveniles' care.

016 Emergency Medical Services. Emergency medical and dental care shall be available at all times. Written plans for emergency services shall include arrangements for the following:

016.01 Emergency evacuation of juveniles from the facility;

016.02 Use of an emergency vehicle;

016.03 Use of one or more hospital emergency rooms or other appropriate health care facility; and

016.04 Emergency on-call physician and dental services when the emergency health care facility is not located nearby.

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017 Management of Pharmaceuticals. Written procedures shall be established to provide for the proper management of pharmaceuticals.

017.01 All prescription medicines kept at the facility shall be securely stored.

017.02 All prescriptions shall be labeled with the prescription number, type of medication, prescribed dosage, time to be administered, date of prescription, juvenile's name, and the name of the prescribing physician. A copy of each prescription shall be placed in the juvenile's medical file.

017.03 All prescriptions shall be administered in the prescribed dosage at the prescribed time by the facility physician, medical personnel, or a designated facility employee who has received appropriate training in the administration or distribution of medications in a secure environment.

017.04 The administration of medication shall be recorded in the manner and on a form approved by the facility administrator.

018 Notification, Designated Person. The facility shall have a procedure for the notification of those individuals so designated by the juvenile in the case of serious illness, injury, or death.

019 Notification, Coroner. In the event of a juvenile's death, the coroner, county attorney, and appropriate law enforcement agency shall be notified immediately.

020 Medical Personnel, Access to Confinement Records. The facility physician and medical personnel shall have access to information in the juveniles' confinement records, when needed.

021 Facility Employees, When Informed on Juvenile's Medical Condition. Facility employees shall be appraised of the juveniles' medical conditions when they have a need to know to ensure the safety and well-being of the juvenile or others

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