



HEALTH TRAINED DEPUTY AND TRAINING

POLICY.

Proper training of corrections staff is essential in order to provide the highest quality medical care in the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office – Adult Jail (AJ).

PURPOSE.

The purpose of this policy is set forth training standards for health-trained deputies.

OREGON JAIL STANDARDS. None

DEFINITIONS.

Target Population. Inmates with a known psychiatric history, past or current use of psychiatric medication(s), and/or appear to be suicidal, severely depressed, psychotic, severely anxious, or agitated.

PROCEDURES.

- A-1. Content of Health Training.** All corrections deputies are health trained. A health-trained deputy receives instruction/familiarization with respect to:
- a. Orientation to the health care services offered at the AJ.
 - b. Mental illnesses, including psychosis, thought and mood disorders, and their respective definitions, terminology, signs and symptoms.
 - c. Personality disorders and behavioral problems, including manipulative behavior, aggressive behavior and anxiety.
 - d. Depression and suicide, including signs and symptoms for recognizing and identifying suicide threats; suicide prevention techniques.
 - e. Detoxification and substance abuse, including recognition of signs and symptoms of intoxication and chemical substance abuse/dependency; alcohol withdrawal and symptoms of impending delirium tremens (DT's); handling of intoxicated inmates.
 - f. Recognition of allergic responses to medication and food.
 - g. The identification of inmates meeting Target Population criteria.
 - h. Recognition of signs and symptoms of intellectual disability.

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- i. Inmate Medical Screening, including the administration of the *Intake Medical Screening Form No. 501* and taking vital signs.
 - j. Emergency medical conditions, including visual assessment and appropriate response procedures; recognition of emergency medical conditions that require the immediate summoning of an ambulance; procedures for transporting prisoners to the hospital.
 - k. Routine medical care, i.e. allowing inmates access to non-emergency medical care and mental health care.
- B-1. First Aid/CPR Training.** All corrections deputies will obtain a certificate in First Aid and CPR within one-hundred-eighty days of the initial date of their employment. First Aid training will be updated every two years. CPR will also be updated every two years.
- C-1. Training Programs.** The Deschutes County Sheriff's Office – Training Unit and/or Police Training Officer (PTO) Program Coordinator may approve a program prepared by other personnel as adequate to train corrections deputies under this policy.
- D-1. Completion.** A corrections deputy will be trained as a Health Trained Officer (HTO) upon completion of the training. In addition, *DCAJ Health Training Form No. 538* is signed by the PTO or the PTO Program Coordinator, certifying the named corrections deputy is competent to perform all functions authorized by the medical policies of DCAJ.

FORMS USED:

- Intake Medical Screening Form No. 501
- Health Training Form No. 538