DO NOT RESUSCITATE ORDERS

POLICY.

It is the policy of the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office – Adult Jail (AJ) that AJ members will **<u>NOT</u>** honor any, "Do Not Resuscitate" orders presented by inmates to the jail.

PURPOSE.

The purpose of this policy is to prevent members from acting on orders meant for Advanced Life Support or St. Charles Hospital personnel.

SECTION A: GENERAL GUIDELINES

- A-1. AJ members will <u>NOT</u> honor any Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) orders.
- **A-2.** When an inmate is found to be in respiratory or cardiac arrest, all efforts will be made to resuscitate that inmate until Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) arrive.
- **A-3.** When the EMTs arrives, the DNR order will be given to them and they will make the determination to continue resuscitation, or transport to the local hospital with the DNR order in hand.
- **A-4**. If the inmate is in custody only for an out of county agency and is terminally ill or injured, the organization will be notified to determine whether they want the out of county hold to continue.

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