DO NOT RESUSCITATE ORDERS

POLICY.

It is the policy of the Deschutes County Sheriff’s Office – Adult Jail that the Facility’s Health Care Personnel and the Health Trained Officers (HTO) will not honor any, “Do Not Resuscitate” orders presented by inmates to the jail.

PURPOSE.

The purpose of this policy is to prevent medical staff or health trained officers from acting on orders meant for Advanced Life Support or St. Charles Hospital personnel.

SECTION A: GENERAL GUIDELINES

A-1. Deschutes County medical personnel or health trained deputies will not honor any 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 the Advanced Life Support Team (EMTs) arrives.

A-3. When the Advanced Life Support Team arrives, the DNR, or “Do Not Resuscitate” 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 a contracted inmate with the U.S. Marshall or I.C.E., and is terminally ill or injured, the organization will be notified and imminent removal of that inmate from the jail will be arranged.