POLICY

Requests for treatment of inmates by private health providers will be granted upon determination by the County Physician that the medical diagnosis requires the treatment requested and appropriate treatment ordered by the County Physician cannot be provided by Marin County Jail medical staff.

PROCEDURE

Upon receiving a written request by an inmate to be seen by their private doctor, the inmate will be examined by the County Physician at the next sick call.

If the request is granted:

1. The County Physician writes and signs an order granting the request.
2. The County Physician approves the private practitioner's plan and arranges for ongoing review of the plan.
3. The private practitioner submits qualifications and necessary personal data to the Sheriff for security clearance.
4. The nurse schedules treatment visits and notifies the Booking Sergeant.

If the request is denied:

1. The County Physician signs notation in the inmate's chart providing reasons for denial of the request.
2. Notification is made to the inmate making the request listing the reasons for the denial.

RELATED STANDARDS:
None

DATE REVISED
8-03-94

By order of

JAMIE SCARDINA
BUREAU COMMANDER