

**MARIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
CUSTODY DIVISION POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL**

CHAPTER 10 - MEDICAL

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SICK CALL

POLICY

It is the policy of the Marin County Sheriff's Office to provide inmates with access to medical, dental, and mental health services provided by the Responsible Physician, Dentist, Family Nurse Practitioner, Mental Health staff or Registered Nurse.

DEFINITIONS:

RESPONSIBLE PHYSICIAN: A state licensed medical doctor contracted by the County of Marin to examine inmates with medical problems. The Physician is on site one day a week. A Physician is on call 24 hours a day, 7 days per week.

DENTIST: A state licensed doctor of dentistry contracted by the County of Marin to provide dental care to inmates. The Dentist is available at the facility for 24 hours every two weeks.

LICENSED NURSE PRACTITIONER: A registered nurse certified by the State of California to provide medical care. They work in consultation with the Responsible Physician and are available weekdays.

MENTAL HEALTH STAFF: Provide service to inmates 24 hours a day through the Psychiatric Emergency Services Department. A Mental Health worker is available on-site 7 days a week to provide mental health services. A Psychiatrist is on-site three days per week.

REGISTERED NURSE: Licensed nurse in the State of California able to administer medications. They are on-site and available 24 hours a day, seven days per week.

PROCEDURE

For any medical needs, inmates will fill out a medical request form and place it in the medical box in the Pod. Deputies will assist any inmate needing assistance filling out the form. Lockdown inmates will give their request form to the Pod Deputy, nurse during welfare checks or medication round, or an MRD, who will place the medical request form in the medical box. The Nurse will pick up the forms daily on the night shift and review them for the next sick call.

Sick call will be conducted daily by a Registered Nurse. All inmate requests will be evaluated by the Registered Nurse or Licensed Nurse Practitioner and referred for additional medical care as necessary.

When an inmate needs to be seen by a Registered Nurse, Licensed Nurse Practitioner, or Physician, the inmate will be brought to the medical offices by an MRD. When the inmate's examination is complete,

medical staff will notify an MRD to transport the inmate back to their Pod. Inmates are not to leave the medical offices unless escorted by a staff member. All inmates left in the medical office without a Deputy standing by, will be minimally restrained in belly chains.

RELATED STANDARDS:

Title 15, Article 10, Section 1211

DATE REVISED

8-3-94

By order of

JAMIE SCARDINA
BUREAU COMMANDER