

<b>DATE:</b>	DECEMBER 12, 2018
<b>NUMBER:</b>	M.13
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	MEDICAL STAFF
<b>RELATED SECTIONS:</b>	Entire DSB "M" Section
<b>IN COMPLIANCE WITH:</b>	CAC Title 15, Sec. 1203, 1205, 1215, Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003

**PURPOSE**

To define medical staff positions.

**POLICY**

Medical Staff members shall comply with all State of California mandated license and certification requirements for their positions. Sheriff's Medical Services Division further defines medical treatment as medical, psychiatric or dental.

Medical staff members shall receive special training on the mandated requirements outlined in the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003. This training will include, but will not be limited to, the reporting of a sexual assault, the emergency treatment and the preservation of evidence when encountering a sexual assault victim, and the medical and psychological follow-up care that shall be afforded.

**PROCEDURE**

- I. The Detention Facility Services Medical Administrator is responsible for the overall administration of the Medical Program.
- II. Detention facility physicians are primarily responsible for the medical treatment, planning, and referral to any necessary outside medical service when deemed necessary. Detentions physicians are also responsible for providing emergency medical care and will determine additional treatment or referral to an emergency department, if needed. In the event an inmate/patient claims that they have been sexually assaulted while in custody, they will be referred to a forensic medical facility.
- III. Detention facility dentists are responsible for evaluation, treatment, and referral related to inmate dental care.
- IV. Detention facility psychiatrists are responsible for the evaluation and treatment of suspected mental disorders.
- V. Detention facility registered nurses and licensed vocational nurses are responsible for emergency care and referral, logistical support of all patient/doctor activity, screening interviews, administration of medications, implementation of all physician's orders and treatment, and special programs.

- VI. Detention facility mental health clinicians are responsible for providing mental health interventions and case management services to inmates with suspected or diagnosed mental health disorders. In the event an inmate/patient claims that they have been sexually assaulted while in custody, they will provide mandated crisis intervention and follow-up care outlined in the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003.
  
- VII. Detention facility medical clerical staff handles clerical work generated by inmate activity and movement within the jail system, as well as specific medical activity procedures.