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SUBJECT:	JAIL BASED COMPETENCY TREATMENT (JBCT)
<b>RELATED SECTIONS:</b>	P&P <u>I.47</u> , CA PENAL CODE 1370

# **PURPOSE**

To clarify the procedures for the Jail Based Competency Treatment (JBCT).

### POLICY

Sworn staff shall be responsible for security of the JBCT with input from the medical staff. The JBCT medical staff shall be responsible for evaluations and treatment.

### PROCEDURE

### I. ADMISSION

- A. The JBCT housing unit is located at the San Diego Central Jail.
- B. Upon a court order directing that an inmate be restored to competency ("Restore to Competency" order) and when the court order authorizes the Sheriff to restore to competency, an inmate may be admitted to the JBCT. Inmates who are not admitted to the JBCT will be placed on a waiting list for treatment in a state hospital.
- C. Inmates without "Restore to Competency" court orders may be housed in the JBCT with the approval of the Program Director when bed space is available. Inmates with a "Restore to Competency" order shall be given priority over other inmates.

#### II. SECURITY

- A. Sworn staff shall conduct and log security checks every 60 minutes. This check shall include housing, treatment/interview, and holding areas.
- B. Extraordinary incidents shall be brought to the attention of the watch commander.
- C. JBCT inmates are to be returned daily to their dormitory at 2200 hours.
- D. After lockdown, inmates may be removed from the housing unit for an acute psychiatric, medical, or security reason and only with a deputy present.
  - 1. When security and staff safety are compromised and the inmate is considered to be extremely dangerous, sworn staff may move the inmate to another housing area. If possible, the JBCT medical supervisor or designee, or the staff psychiatrist shall be consulted first.

- 2. Medical staff shall notify the watch commander when the medical needs of any JBCT inmate require that he/she be housed in the medical observation area rather than JBCT.
- 3. The watch commander shall be notified of any inmate movement out of the JBCT to any other area of the jail.
- E. Notify JBCT sworn and medical staff prior to removing or when returning an inmate to the housing unit.
- F. Notify JBCT sworn and medical staff in advance of any tour or visit to the JBCT to prevent disruption of activities within the housing unit.

# III. WRISTBANDS

- A. Inmates housed in JBCT shall wear red identification wristbands while housed in JBCT. Plastic fasteners are available for inmates who may use metal for self-injury or are allergic to metal fasteners.
- B. The red identification wristband shall be applied and removed by sworn staff whenever an inmate is transferred into or out of the unit.
- C. The red wristband shall be worn on the left wrist.
- D. The JBCT staff shall make no alterations to the detention wristband.
- E. If it becomes necessary to change an inmate's wristband, sworn staff shall make the change.

# IV. TREATMENT

- A. Admission to the JBCT for treatment is covered under the section 1370 of the Penal Code.
- B. Sworn staff may be requested to move an inmate to an isolation or seclusion cell by the JBCT staff.
- C. A time specific seclusion order by a psychiatrist is required to house an inmate in seclusion or restraints.
- D. Anytime the psychiatrist and/or nurse enter a seclusion cell to provide inmate care and or treatment, sworn staff shall accompany him/her and provide security.