SDSD Detention Services Bureau—George Bailey Detention Facility Green Sheet

DATE: MAY 3, 2021 **NUMBER:** M.41.G

SUBJECT: INFECTION CONTROL: MEDICAL WASTE

PROCEDURE

It will be the responsibility of sworn personnel to ensure the proper handling of infectious materials and the proper disposal of regulated waste that may be encountered in the course of their duties.

When handling infectious waste, it is recommended that the Healthcare Services Assistant Training (HSAT) inmates from East Mesa Reentry Facility are utilized to clean and handle biohazardous waste. HSAT supplies are located in the House 6 Multi-purpose Room storage closet. Refer to the HSAT schedules posted on the GBDF intranet website.

I. SWORN STAFF HANDLING BIOHAZARDOUS WASTE

- A. When handling biohazardous waste, the following universal precautions will be used:
 - 1. Latex gloves must be worn when handling items or surfaces possibly or obviously contaminated with blood, bodily fluids, or other potentially infectious materials.
 - 2. After removing latex gloves, hands should be washed immediately with water and antiseptic cleanser.
 - 3. Deputy clothing contaminated with blood or other bodily fluids should be removed as soon as possible and separated from other clothing until properly laundered.
 - 4. All surfaces and equipment contaminated with infectious material should be cleaned immediately with a bleach solution (1:10 dilution of household bleach to water).
- B. Soiled paper towels, sponges, mops, and latex gloves will be placed in a clear plastic bag. The clear bag will be tied securely and placed in a red biohazard bag. The red bag will be tied securely to prevent leakage or loss of wastes during storage, handling or transport. Contaminated laundry will be disposed of in the same manner. The sworn staff on scene will be responsible for disposal of the red biohazardous bag.
- C. The items necessary for proper handling of biohazardous waste (bodily fluids) and regulated waste material (medical supply waste) are as follows:
 - 1. Latex gloves
 - 2. Blood borne pathogen clean up kit (located in the Medical Supply Room)
 - 3. Clear plastic trash bags(s)

- 4. Red biohazard bag(s) (located in the Medical Supply Room)
- D. Once hazardous items have been bagged and sealed into a red biohazardous waste bag, they will be taken to the biohazardous waste dumpster and disposed of. These red bags are to be taken directly to the dumpster by the sworn staff responsible for the cleanup or a designee and are not to be left in any location inside the facility.