

DATE:	MAY 27, 2022
NUMBER:	M.20
SUBJECT:	SALE OF OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICATIONS
RELATED SECTIONS:	MSD 0.4 , M.15 , M.19

PURPOSE

To allow incarcerated persons-the ability to purchase selected over the counter (OTC) medications through Commissary Stores. Indigent incarcerated persons' requiring medically necessary OTC medication may receive OTC medications via sick call procedure.

POLICY

Designated OTC medications, in their consumer labeled containers, shall be made available through Commissary Stores for incarcerated person purchase. The list of OTC medications is reviewed at least annually and in the event a change to the list is proposed.

PROCEDURE

- I. The Sheriff's chief medical officer (CMO) along with Detentions Administration and the Incarcerated Person Welfare Committee reviews and approves the commissary OTC medication list. Currently antacid tablets, cough suppressant tablets/menthol and melatonin remain available for purchase.
- II. Medication Purchase Limitations and Guidelines
 - A. Medical staff may revoke, cancel, or put on hold any incarcerated person's OTC medication purchasing privileges; whenever it is determined that use of such medications may be detrimental to the medical or mental health of the incarcerated person -and/or interfere with the medical or mental health treatment of the incarcerated person This can be done by communicating with Commissary Stores via JIMS or e-mail and documenting the order in the incarcerated individual's record.
 - B. Abuse or misuse by an incarcerated person of over-the-counter medication of any kind shall be reported to medical staff and shall lead to termination of the incarcerated person's privilege to purchase such medication from the Commissary Stores.