

# ADULT COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS DIVISION STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

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#### I. DIVISION DIRECTIVE:

Adult Community Corrections Division's prerelease centers will follow established procedures to ensure prerelease resident offenders receive initial health screenings at intake for ongoing health care needs.

## **II. DEFINITIONS:**

ACCD-Adult Community Corrections Division Facility – Division facilities include the Missoula Assessment and Sanction Center (MASC); Treasure State Correctional Training Center (TSCTC); and the contracted facilities of Prerelease Centers (PRC), Sanction Treatment Assessment Revocation & Transition (START), Warm Springs Addiction Treatment and Change Program (WATCh), Connections Corrections Program (CCP), Passages Alcohol and Drug Treatment (Passages ADT), Passages Assessment Sanction & Revocation Center (Passages ASRC), NEXUS Correctional Treatment Center (NEXUS), and Elkhorn Treatment Center (Elkhorn).

<u>CSD-Clinical Services Division</u> – The Department's division that administers health care services for adult and youth offenders.

Department – The Montana Department of Corrections.

<u>Health Care Providers</u> – Licensed health care providers (e.g., physicians, nurses, psychiatrists, dentists, and mental health practitioners), including contracted or fee-for-service providers, responsible for offender health care and treatment.

<u>Health Screening</u> – A process of structured inquiry and observation intended to identify any potential emergency situations and to ensure those offenders with known illnesses and/or on medication are identified fur further assessment and continued treatment.

# **III. PROCEDURES:**

## A. Intake Health Screenings

1. Prerelease residents will be given an initial health screening within 14 days of arrival unless a physical examination was conducted and documented at another facility with the previous six (6) months.

The initial screening will include, but is not limited to:

a. the collection of additional data to complete the medical, dental, and mental health histories;

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- b. a recording of vital signs (i.e., height, weight, pulse, blood pressure, and temperature);
- c. a review of current Tuberculosis (TB) testing on record, if available.
- 2. Prerelease residents will obtain TB testing through available community providers and are responsible for the costs of the testing.
- 3. Prerelease residents may obtain the flu vaccine and Hepatitis and/or HIV testing from available community providers and are responsible for the costs of the vaccine.

# B. Responsibility of Health Care Providers

ACCD facility health care providers will:

- 1. Enter the collected and reviewed data during the health screening in the offender's health record at the time of the screening;
- 2. If necessary, document any health-related restrictions on an offender's housing, work, or other activities, and communicate these restrictions to the appropriate facility staff;
- 3. Provide health education and disease prevention information to offenders during screenings.

#### IV. CLOSING:

Questions concerning this procedure should be directed to the Facility Administrator or CSD.