Security and Maintenance of the Health Services Unit’s Equipment and Supplies

I. Space and Equipment Review

A. Equipment /Supplies

1. Medical equipment will be:
   a. Checked/tested on a regular basis in accordance with the manufacturers’ recommendations; documentation will be maintained by the CHSA/designee;
   b. Glucometer maintenance checks will be conducted, per the manufactures guidelines, using the “Glucometer Quality Control Record” DOC 140112A, attached;
   c. Oxygen tanks and regulators maintenance checks will be conducted using the “Monthly Oxygen Tank Inspection Log” DOC 140112B, attached;
   d. AED/Narcan maintenance checks will be conducted using the “Daily/Monthly AED/Narcan Inspection Log” (DOC 140118A);
   e. Kept secured from inmates and non-medical staff;
2. The plan for the management of biohazardous waste and for the decontamination of medical and dental equipment is located in OP-140125, Attachment A entitled “Decontamination Handbook for Bloodborne Pathogens.”

3. Autoclaves will be tested for sterilization using testing devices in accordance with OP-140132 entitled "Laboratory, Radiology, and Optometric Services."

4. Pharmaceuticals, medical supplies, and mobile emergency equipment will be available.

5. Examination and treatment rooms for medical, dental, and mental health care will be large enough to accommodate the necessary equipment and fixtures and to permit privacy for the inmate.

6. The types of equipment, supplies, and materials for examination and treatment depend upon the level of health care provided in the facility and the capabilities of the medical providers. Basic items include, but are not limited to:

   a. Hand washing facilities;
   b. Examination table(s);
   c. A light capable of providing directed illumination;
   d. Scale(s);
   e. Thermometers;
   f. Blood pressure cuffs;
   g. Stethoscope;
   h. Ophthalmoscope;
   i. Otoscope;
   j. Transportation equipment (e.g., wheelchair, stretcher); and
   k. Equipment for pelvic examinations (female designated facilities).
B. Physical Plant

The CHSA and facility head will ensure that the health services unit:

1. Meets fire and safety standards as set forth in the “Weekly Health and Safety Inspection Report,” as defined in OP-130107 entitled “Standards for Inspections”;
2. Is secured from inmates except as controlled by security and health service staff;
3. Provides inmate privacy;
4. Is maintained (e.g., painted, cleaned, waxed, etc.) and repaired as needed;
5. Provides seats in the waiting area and access to drinking water and toilets when inmates are in waiting areas for extended periods of time; and
6. Has adequate space for administrative use, direct care, professional and clerical staff, conference area, secure storage of health records, a waiting area/lobby and toilet facilities.

C. Ordering of Supplies and Equipment

1. Medical and dental supplies will be obtained in accordance with all applicable purchasing laws, rules, and regulations. Inventory of all supplies will be reviewed before ordering. Inventory should be kept at a minimum according to usage.
2. Office furniture, equipment, supplies, and building maintenance will be requisitioned by the CHSA or designee.

D. Security Guidelines

1. Medical staff will make reasonable efforts to support other staff in maintaining the security of the facility to which they are assigned. All staff will adhere to agency policies, procedures, rules and regulations of Oklahoma Department of Corrections (ODOC) and its facilities.
2. Medical staff may request a correctional officer to be present during an inmate examination if additional security is warranted.
3. The facility's chief of security may require the presence of a correctional officer during an examination if deemed necessary for security reasons. A correctional officer may be assigned by the chief of security to the health services area if a situation warrants additional security.
4. Security coverage/measures will be arranged between the CHSA, the facility head and the facility chief of security.

II. References

Policy Statement P-140100 entitled “Inmate Medical, Mental Health and Dental Care”

OP-040107 entitled “Tool Control Standards”

OP-120801 entitled “Asset Management”

OP-130107 entitled “Standards for Inspections”

OP-140118 entitled “Medical Emergency Response”

OP-140132 entitled “Laboratory, Radiology and Optometric Services”

III. Action

The chief Medical Officer is responsible for compliance with this procedure and for the annual review and revisions.

Any exceptions to this procedure require prior written approval from the agency director.

This procedure will be effective as indicated.

Replaced: OP-140112 entitled “Security and Maintenance of the Health Services Unit’s Equipment and Supplies” dated July 28, 2021

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