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Health Assessment

I. Health Assessments

A. Intersystem and new arrival health assessments are conducted on all inmates:

1. Upon reception at the appropriate assessment and reception center;
2. Upon intersystem transfer to an Oklahoma Department of Corrections (ODOC) facility or contract facility;
3. Upon return of a Global Positioning Satellite Surveillance Program (GPS) inmate; or
4. Upon return of a community sentencing offender to higher security.

The health assessment is to be completed in accordance with [OP-140113](#) entitled “Health Assessment for Inmate Transfers” and [OP-140114](#) entitled “Screening New Arrivals.” Health screenings and assessments will be reviewed at each receiving facility by a health care provider, registered nurse or licensed practical nurse upon transfer.

B. Periodic Health Assessments (5-ACI-6A-27)

To ensure continuity of care, health care providers provide periodic health assessments for inmates. Inmates with documented health problems will receive follow-up assessments as determined by the health care provider. The health assessment will be documented on the “Initial Intake and Routine Physical Examination” ([DOC 140114C](#)).

1. All refusals of the periodic health assessment will be documented on the “Waiver of Treatment/Evaluation” ([DOC 140117D](#)).
2. All inmates age 50-75 will be offered an annual Fecal Occult Blood Testing (FOBT) to screen for digestive system problems such as

abnormal growths (polyps) or cancer in the colon or rectum. Acceptance or refusal of the Fecal Occult Blood Testing will be documented on the “Fecal Occult Blood Testing Education/Acceptance/Waiver” ([DOC 140117C](#)). The “Fecal Occult Blood Testing Education/Acceptance/Waiver” ([DOC 140117C](#)) is not required if the inmate is refusing his/her periodic health assessment.

- C. All intersystem, new arrivals and periodic health assessment will include, but not limited to:
 - 1. Completion of the “Initial Intake and Routine Physical Examination” ([DOC 140114C](#)) by the health care provider.
 - 2. The results of all examinations, tests, and the identification of problems will be reviewed by the health care provider.
- D. Health assessments for chronic illnesses will be in accordance with [OP-140137](#) entitled “Chronic Illness Management.”

II. Physical Examination (PE) and Laboratory Requirement Guidelines (5-ACI-6A-27)

Screening and preventive interventions consist of history taking and preventive interventions. Periodic PE and laboratory guidelines are guidelines that are intended as quality-practice recommendations.

- A. Periodic PE guidelines address the following:
 - 1. Obtaining initial/interval history, including family history of disease.
 - 2. Performing age/gender appropriate physical exam and laboratory.
 - 3. Providing preventive screenings.
- B. The “ODOC Periodic Physical Examination and Laboratory Requirements Male and Physical Examination and Laboratory Requirements for Inmates Returning from GPS Males” ([Attachment A](#), attached) and the “ODOC Periodic Physical Examination and Laboratory Requirements Females and Physical Examination and Laboratory Requirements for Inmates Returning from GPS Female” ([Attachment B](#), attached) is a list of requirements to assist the health care provider in preventive health care.
- C. Prompt and thorough follow-up will be completed and documented when signs and/or symptoms of illness or disease are detected.

III. References

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

OP-140113 entitled "Health Assessment for Inmate Transfers"

OP-140114 entitled "Screening New Arrivals"

OP-140137 entitled "Chronic Illness Management

"American Academy of Family Physicians," Policy Action November 1996, July 2017-Order No. 1968

"Current Practice Guidelines in Primary Care," 2019
United States Preventative Services Taskforce

IV. Action

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

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

This procedure is effective as indicated.

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<u>Referenced Forms</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Location</u>
DOC 140114C	“ODOC Initial Intake and Routine Physical Examination”	OP-140114
DOC 140117C	“Fecal Occult Blood Testing Education/Acceptance/Waiver”	OP-140117
DOC 140117D	“ODOC Waiver of Treatment/Evaluation”	OP-140117

<u>Attachments</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Location</u>
Attachment A	“ODOC Periodic Physical Examination and Laboratory Requirements Male and Physical Examination and Laboratory Requirements for Inmates Returning from GPS Males”	Attached
Attachment B	“ODOC Periodic Physical Examination and Laboratory Requirements Female and Physical Examination and Laboratory Requirements for Inmates Returning from GPS Females”	Attached