



CORRECTIONS MEDICINE
Incarcerated Workers
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- I. **PURPOSE:** To prohibit incarcerated individuals from being used as health care workers in any capacity.

- II. **POLICY:** Incarcerated individuals are not to be used for any medical related duties including direct medical care, scheduling health care appointments, operation of diagnostic or therapeutic equipment, handling or having access to surgical instruments, syringes, needles, medications or health records, determining access to the medical care of another incarcerated individual, or any task or job activity related to Corrections Medicine.

- III. **RESPONSIBILITY:** All Corrections Medicine staff are responsible for the content of this policy and procedure as well as adherence to the policy.

- IV. **PROCEDURE:**
 - 1. Under no circumstances are incarcerated individuals permitted to remain unattended in any area where medical equipment, drugs or records are held.
 - 2. Access to medical areas is to remain locked at all times when not in use.
 - 3. Incarcerated individuals should never be granted access to any medical area unless they are accompanied by a police officer or a Department of Justice Services Corrections Officer and for the purpose of obtaining medical care for themselves.
 - 4. Incarcerated individuals shall not have access to medical equipment, syringes, needles, medication or health records at any time.

- V. **REFERENCE:**
National Commission on Correctional Health Care; Standards for Health Services in Jails; 2018; Standard J-C-07