

ORAL CARE

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REFER TO:

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I. OBJECTIVE:

To establish the Seneca County Correctional Facility's policy and guidelines for dental services provided to inmates.

II. POLICY:

It is the policy of the Seneca County Correctional Facility to provide all inmates with necessary dental care.

III. DETAILS:

- A.** Inmates requesting dental care may request form SCSO-CF-034 "Inmate Medical Request" form, from their housing unit officer.
- B.** The facility nurse will refer inmates to the dentist after assessing dental complaint or problem.
- C.** Dental care will mean necessary extractions, fillings and x-rays.
- D.** Dental care will be provided under the direction and supervision of the dentist authorized for such care in accordance with state licensing requirements.
- E.** Consultation with a dental specialist will be available in unusual cases through outside consultants if ordered by the dentist. Referrals will be made to a qualified outside dental specialist. The appropriate specialist will be contacted if the conditions cannot be remedied by the local dentist and cannot wait until the inmate's release.
- F.** All dental records will be maintained by the responsible dentist.
- G.** All medical and dental records will remain confidential.
- H.** Records will be forwarded to the specialist with the inmate's prior consent.