



DIRECT MEDICAL ORDERS

POLICY.

It is the policy of Deschutes County Adult Jail (DCAJ) that the treatment by medical personnel at DCAJ will be by the Facility Provider's orders, either in writing or verbally, and in compliance with community medical practices.

PROCEDURES.

- A-1.** Treatment by the medical personnel will be performed only pursuant to written (or initially verbal) orders of the Facility Provider, emergency room provider, other doctor (or by Facility Nurse where appropriate under these procedures).
- B-1.** The procedure for documenting written or verbal medical orders is as follows:
- a. All direct medical orders shall be memorialized in writing using the Physician's Order Form.
 - b. Where circumstances require that the direct order be given verbally, initially it shall be recorded verbatim by the Health Trained Officer, Facility Nurse or other person receiving such orders and will include, time, date, inmate's name, orders and name of physician. The verbatim record will be countersigned within seven (7) working days.
 - c. All medical records shall be written legibly enough so that other health care professionals and Health Trained Officers can read and understand them.