

<p align="center">GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE</p>	<p align="center">Transmittal # 17-13</p>	<p align="center">Policy # 11.11</p>
<p>Applicability: <input type="checkbox"/> All DJJ Staff <input type="checkbox"/> Administration <input type="checkbox"/> Community Services <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secure Facilities (RYDCs and YDCs)</p>	<p>Related Standards & References: NCCHC 2015 Juvenile Standards: Y-F-01 ACA Standards: 3-JDF-4C-34, 4-JCF-4C-27 DJJ 8.8, 8.31</p>	
<p>Chapter 11: HEALTH AND MEDICAL SERVICES</p>	<p>Effective Date: 12/5/17 Scheduled Review Date: 12/5/18 Replaces: 6/10/16</p>	
<p>Subject: HEALTH EDUCATION SERVICES</p>	<p>Division of Support Services, Office of Health Services</p>	
<p>Attachments: None</p>	<p>APPROVED:  _____ Avery D. Niles, Commissioner</p>	

I. POLICY:

All youth in Department of Juvenile Justice secure facilities shall receive health education and information.

II. DEFINITIONS:

Health Care Staff: Registered Nurse, Licensed Practical Nurse, Nurse Practitioner, Dentist, Dental Assistant, Dental Hygienist, Health Services Office Assistant, Pharmacist, Physician’s Assistant, or Physician.

Health Encounter: An objective, hands-on evaluation of an individual. It involves the inspection, palpation, auscultation, and percussion of a patient’s body to determine the presence or absence of physical signs of disease or injury.

Medical Services Staff: Staff licensed as a Registered Nurse, Licensed Practical Nurse, Nurse Practitioner, Physician’s Assistant, or Physician.

Regional Health Services Administrator (RHSA): Licensed health service staff who provides support to facility health staff and oversight to ensure the quality and accessibility of all health services provided in the facility.

III. PROCEDURES:

- A. All health education will be provided by Medical Services staff, the health department, or other educators. Health education may be provided via individual or group discussion, brochure, or video.
- B. A core health education program will be provided for the development of sound habits and practices regarding personal hygiene. The program will be completed within 7 calendar days of admission and shall include topics such as:

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1. Hand washing;
 2. Personal Hygiene;
 3. Hepatitis A, B, and C;
 4. HIV infection and AIDS;
 5. Immunizations;
 6. Oral hygiene instruction;
 7. Self-examination for breast or testicular cancer;
 8. Sexually Transmitted Infections;
 9. Smoking and use of tobacco products, smoking cessation; and
 10. Tuberculosis.
- C. Delivery of the core health education will be documented in the Juvenile Tracking System (JTS) on the Nurse Health Appraisal or the Physical Exam, as applicable, within 24 hours of the education being provided.
- D. Additional health education materials are located on the GA DJJ Intranet shared drive in the Health Services Educational Materials folder.
- E. Age-appropriate brochures, posters, and pamphlets (located in the GA DJJ Intranet-shared drive Health Services Educational Materials folder) are available on a variety of health topics and readily accessible to youth in the health services unit.
- F. Health education will be provided and documented in JTS after each health services encounter with a youth, except isolation checks and restraint checks. (See DJJ 8.8, Use of Isolation and DJJ 8.31, Restraint of Youth.)
- G. The DJJ Medical Director approved curriculum for all health education provided in facilities (by health care staff and outside organizations) will be located in the GA DJJ Intranet– shared drive Health Services Educational Materials folder. Curriculum will be reviewed and updated as needed.

IV. LOCAL OPERATING PROCEDURES REQUIRED: NO