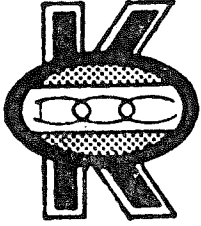


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**POLICY**

Maintaining an institutional environment that is safe and healthy for inmates, staff and visitors is essential. In ensuring that all appropriate and necessary precautions are taken to prevent the transmission of infectious diseases the department relies on medical expertise both within and outside the department. Based upon current medical knowledge and recommendations the following policy regarding Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome ("AIDS") and AIDS-Related Complex ("ARC") shall be implemented.

**PROCEDURE**

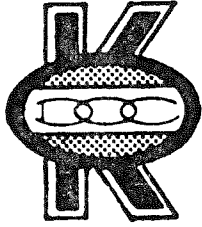
**1. Education and Training Program**

Education regarding AIDS and ARC is critical to preventing transmission of the disease as well as the key to alleviating widespread anxiety and misunderstanding about the disease. The current facts related to the disease including how it is contracted and what preventative methods are recommended must be effectively communicated to all staff (including contract personnel) and inmates. The department (coordinated by the Health Services Administrator) shall develop and implement for inmates and staff at each institution education and training programs regarding AIDS and ARC. The training program shall be presented to the general inmate population and to all new inmates upon their admission to the institution. Educational material shall also be made available to parolees. Staff education and training shall be provided through the institution's training staff and the department's training director. This educational material shall also be provided to parole services staff and shall be made available to contract facilities and personnel.

**2. Screening**

- a. The National Center for Disease Control has determined that routine screening for AIDS is not medically productive or desirable. Therefore, general screening for AIDS shall not be done among the inmate population.

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- b. Inmates who desire screening shall make their request to the institution medical staff. The chief physician will evaluate whether or not the inmate has an increased risk of exposure to AIDS and determine if screening should be done to complete the evaluation of the inmate for AIDS or ARC. Screening without symptoms of the disease shall be a medical decision.
- c. All screening shall be preceded by a period of counseling by health care staff regarding the possible impact of test results.

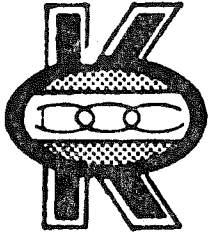
3. Placement of Inmates

Since medical research indicates that the AIDS virus is contracted primarily by direct specific person-to-person sexual contact and/or use of contaminated intravenous needles, it shall not be the department's policy to segregate inmates who (1) test positive to HTLV-III antibodies, (2) are diagnosed as having symptoms of ARC, or (3) have symptoms of AIDS. Therefore, unless directed otherwise by the institution chief physician, all such inmates may be placed in the general population. The responsible physician, for medical reasons, may remove the inmate from the general population and place the inmate in appropriate housing at the institution or at a community medical facility.

4. Inmates identified in paragraph 3 shall be placed in protective custody pursuant to K.A.R. 44-14-302, if it is determined that such action is appropriate to provide for their safety.

5. Identification of Inmates

All diagnoses of (1) positive HTLV-III antibodies, (2) having symptoms of ARC, and (3) having symptoms of AIDS shall be noted in each inmate/patient's medical record. Once informed of such diagnosis, the medical staff shall comply with pre-established policies which govern the handling of such cases. The responsible physician shall immediately notify the central office health care administrator and the institution director or principal administrator of the diagnosis.

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6. AIDS is a medical condition and, as such, confidentiality of medical records and information shall be maintained. Disclosure of the identities of inmates who have tested positive for HTLV-III antibodies, have symptoms of ARC, or have symptoms of AIDS shall only be disclosed on a need to know basis. Each principal administrator shall promulgate a general order specifying the individuals to be informed of this condition.

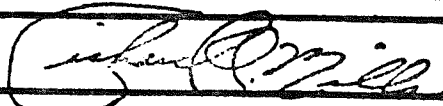
7. Inmates who have been tested positive to HTLV-III antibodies, have been diagnosed as having symptoms of ARC, or have symptoms of AIDS, shall not be assigned to work in food service, the laundry, or the infirmary. This assignment restriction is for management purposes, not medical reasons. Such an inmate is eligible for any other work or educational assignments unless restricted for medical or security reasons.

8. A medical protocol shall be established by the central office health services administrator regarding the care and treatment of AIDS diagnosed inmates. This protocol shall also contain special precautions and preventative measures to be followed by medical and security personnel.

9. This policy shall be reviewed at least annually and updated as necessary. However, more frequent reviews and revisions shall take place as more information is obtained concerning this matter.

#### REFERENCES

K.A.R. 44-14-302

Approved By: 

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