

OREGON DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
Operations Division
Health Services Section Policy and Procedure #P-E-06.10

SUBJECT: PERIODIC DENTAL EXAMS

POLICY: Periodic dental exams will be available to inmate patients serving more than a one-year sentence.

REFERENCE: NCCHC Standard P-E-06, Oral Care
ADA Recommendations
Community Standard

PROCEDURE:

- A. These exams will be scheduled during the patient's birthday month with the dental clinic being notified one month in advance that the patient is requesting an exam.
- B. Exams will normally be scheduled on a yearly basis, but may vary depending on the specific need of the patient. The dentist will document any deviation from the yearly schedule in the patient's treatment record. The documentation should contain the reason for the deviation from the yearly schedule.
- C. Radiographs will be ordered and taken at intervals specified by the dentist.
- D. A new yellow dental history sheet will be used on yearly exams. It will be signed and dated by the dentist.
- E. The medical history will be updated or re-done and will be signed and dated by the dentist.

Effective Date: _____

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