

**OREGON DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**  
**Operations Division**  
**Health Services Section Policy and Procedure #P-D-02**

SUBJECT: MEDICATION SERVICES

POLICY: The inmates of the Oregon Department of Corrections will be provided medication services in a timely, safe and sufficient manner.

REFERENCE: NCCHC Standard P-D-02

PROCEDURE:

- A. Prescription medications will be administered or delivered to the patient only upon the order of a physician, dentist or other legally authorized individual.
- B. The Chief Medical Officer determines prescriptive practices in the facility.
- C. Medications are prescribed only when clinically indicated.
  - a. Informed consent is required for all psychotropic medications. In an emergency situation, medications can be prescribed without informed consent if it is demonstrated that the inmate has a mental disorder and there exists a likelihood of serious harm to the inmate, others, property or the inmate is gravely disabled and the treatment is in the inmate's best interest.
  - b. Psychotropic and behavior modifying medications are not used for disciplinary reasons.
- D. Procedures will be detailed in Policy and Procedure P-D-02.1 through P-D-02.14.

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