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I. POLICY

The Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) shall not admit youth that have severe drug or alcohol problems requiring detoxification under medical supervision. After detoxification, DJJ shall provide for the management, education, and treatment of chemically dependent youth.

II. APPLICABILITY

This policy shall apply to DJJ operated and contracted day treatment programs, group homes, detention centers, and youth development centers.

III. DEFINITIONS

Refer to DJJPP 400.

IV. PROCEDURES

A. The nurse or health trained staff shall make inquiries into drug and alcohol history and assess for signs and symptoms of drug and alcohol withdrawal during the initial health screening and assessment.

Youth who demonstrates signs of intoxication or withdrawal shall be transferred for medical clearance prior to admission per the direction of the Medical Director or designee.

B. An instrument approved by the Chief of Mental Health Services shall be administered to each youth to screen for drug and alcohol abuse. This instrument shall be administered within one (1) day of admission by the facility psychologist or a person trained to administer the test.

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- C. Identified substance abuse and chemical dependency issues shall be considered in the development of the youth's treatment plan.
- D. Relapse prevention education shall be provided. Aftercare plans shall include referral to specified community resources upon release when appropriate.
- E. The assessment process shall include documentation of the following:
 - 1. Medical assessment for referral to a drug and alcohol crisis intervention-program appropriate to the needs of the juvenile;
 - 2. Drug and alcohol assessment, when necessary, for program placement needs;
and
 - 3. Reassessment, if indicated clinically.

V. MONITORING MECHANISM

Monitoring shall be accomplished by the Medical Director and the Chief of Mental Health Services or designees.