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I. POLICY

Juveniles shall be divided into housing units in accordance with a classification plan.

II. APPLICABILITY

This policy shall apply to all juvenile detention centers.

III. DEFINITION

Refer to DJJPP 700.

IV. PROCEDURES

- A. Each juvenile detention center shall develop Standard Operating Procedures for the classification and assignment of juveniles to housing units and programs.
- B. The classification plan shall be used to divide juveniles so as to reduce known risk factors, (i.e. suicide, assaultive and disruptive behavior) and meet identified developmental as well as individual needs with available resources.
- C. The classification plan shall allow provisions for a juvenile placed in multiple occupancy sleeping rooms who demonstrate problems or incompatibility to be placed back into single occupancy sleeping rooms.

V. MONITORING MECHANISM

The Facility Superintendent and Facilities Regional Administrator shall have responsibility for monitoring compliance with this policy. The Quality Assurance Branch shall conduct annual program audits.