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I. POLICY

The regional juvenile detention centers shall provide a range of structured programs and services which meet the individual needs of each juvenile. These programs and services shall be provided while maintaining the necessary protection to the individual juvenile, agency personnel and the community at large.

II. APPLICABILITY

This policy shall apply to all regional juvenile detention centers.

III. DEFINITION

Refer to Chapter 700.

IV. PROCEDURES

- A. Program and service components shall address the following areas:
 - 1. Program orientation;
 - 2. Initial custody screening and classification;
 - 3. Observation and assessment to identify strengths, assets, and developmental needs which a juvenile can build upon;
 - 4. Suicide risk screening;
 - 5. Substance abuse screening, education, and counseling;
 - 6. Medical, dental, and general health education;
 - 7. Mental health;
 - 8. Nutrition;
 - 9. Shelter, to include adequate program space, equipment and supplies, sanitation, and basic housekeeping;
 - 10. Clothing and personal hygiene;

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- 11. Social services and counseling (individual, group, and family; life and social skills; decision making skills; anger management; money management; etc.);
- 12. Gender specific programming;
- 13. Academic education;
- 14. Library services;
- 15. Recreation and leisure time activities;
- 16. Religious services and counseling;
- 17. Behavior management and control, to include rules, discipline and grievance;
- 18. Security and control, to include adequate staffing, ongoing staff training and professional development, supervision of juveniles; and staff interaction with juveniles;
- 19. Emergency plans (fire, tornado, riot, bomb threat, etc.);
- 20. Juvenile rights and privileges, to include access to attorneys, courts, legal material and news media;
- 21. Communication: mail, telephone and visitation;
- 22. Community involvement; volunteer and student internship services; and,
- 23. Release preparation.
- B. The Superintendent or designee shall conduct an annual collective needs survey which may include polling staff, interviewing counselors and medical staff, gathering input from parents of the juveniles, DJJ personnel, community-based programs/agencies, judges, law enforcement, school systems, and others as deemed appropriate. Regional juvenile detention centers shall also seek input from local, state, and national resources. The Superintendent, in collaboration with Central Office, shall use the information from the survey to assist in program development and improvement.

V. MONITORING MECHANISM

The Superintendent shall have responsibility for monitoring compliance with this policy. The Quality Assurance Branch shall conduct annual program audits.