



CORRECTIONS MEDICINE
Infection Control – Management of Hepatitis
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- I. **PURPOSE:** To establish guidelines for the management of Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C as part of the Corrections Medicine Infection Control Program.
- II. **POLICY:** Corrections Medicine shall have a written plan addressing the management of Hepatitis A, B, and C. This plan shall include the procedures for identification, surveillance, immunization, treatment, follow-up, and isolation.
- III. **RESPONSIBILITY:** All staff members in the Corrections Medicine program shall be familiar with the content of this policy and the procedures therein.
- IV. **PROCEDURE:**
 - 1. Patients who are symptomatic of liver disease (jaundice, malaise, and pain, reported history of Hepatitis) may have serologic testing for hepatitis. Clinical laboratory results are reviewed by Corrections Medicine medical and nursing staff.
 - 2. If indicated providers may refer patients to specialty care for additional testing, or treatment of Hepatitis.
 - 3. Universal precautions and good hand and personal hygiene practices should be maintained with all patients in accordance with Corrections Medicine policies 1 and 2.
 - 4. All kitchen workers receive the Hepatitis A vaccine series.
- V. **REFERENCES:**
 - Standard 4-ALDF-4C-16; Performance-Based Standards for Adult local Detention Facilities; American Correctional Association; 4th Edition; June 2004
 - Standard 4-ALDF-4D-07; Performance-Based Standards for Adult local Detention Facilities; American Correctional Association; 4th Edition; June 2004
 - Standard J-B-01; Standards for Health Services in Jails; National Commission on Correctional Health Care; 2018
 - United States Department of Health and Human Services - The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Division of Hepatitis (www.cdc.gov/hepatitis)
 - Guidelines for the Prevention and Treatment of Viral Hepatitis; Federal Bureau of Prisons — Clinical Practice Guidelines; October, 2005