

Medication

907.1 POLICY

Other than through commissary purchases, prescribing, dispensing, and administering drugs, including non-prescription and medical items, will only be done by qualified health services staff.

907.2 GENERAL

All medication is to be taken immediately, unless otherwise authorized, in front of health services staff. Inmates may be allowed to carry up to three (3) doses of certain prescribed medication for heart, asthma, or other medical problems.

907.2.1 SECURITY

Health services and jail staff will be responsible for the security/control of all supplies stored in the medical unit.

907.3 MEDICATION FOR MENTAL DISORDERS

Inmates who are found by a physician (written or verbal orders) to be a danger to themselves or others by reason of mental disorder, may be involuntarily given psycho tropic medication appropriate to the illness for a period of 72 hours after the need is identified. (Title 15, Section 1217)

Inmates requiring psychiatric care beyond the on-site capability will be transferred to an appropriate off-site facility as deemed necessary by responsible jail psychiatric staff. The Watch Commander or his/her designee will be contacted to process the documents required for transfer.