NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION
621

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

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RESPONSIBILITY

All Medical Division staff and all Medical Officers are responsible for the compliance with this regulation.

621.01 INFECTIOUS DISEASES

1. The Medical Division will develop Medical Directives consistent with the guidelines of the Center for Disease Control for Standard (Universal) Precautions in the handling of patients, medical waste, and medical apparatus and supplies.

2. The Medical Division should develop special programs in specific areas designated below.

   A. Tuberculosis Prevention and Control;

   B. Immunizations;

   C. Infectious Disease Management (HIV, Hepatitis, etc.)

   D. Ectoparasite control procedures.

3. Staff Awareness

   A. The Medical Division will, during Pre-Service Training (PST), address any employee concerns relating to infectious diseases.

   B. The Personnel Department will include this regulation in the Employee New Hire Packet.

   C. The Medical Division will coordinate with the Department's Employee Development Manager to ensure annual In-service Training is conducted.

4. Dissemination of Information

A. The Nevada Revised Statutes and the Nevada Administrative Code form the basis for notification to health officials.

B. The disclosure of infectious disease information is directed to the State Health Officer/designee.

C. The Department will disseminate information regarding infectious diseases to state and local health officials when required by law and in accordance with inmate confidentiality rights.

APPLICABILITY

1. This regulation requires a Medical Directive for the Infection Control Program at the institutions and facilities.

2. This regulation requires an audit.

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