

WASHINGTON CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

For CMA Survey Conducted July 9-12, 2002

PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH SURVEY FINDINGS REQUIRING OHS INTERVENTION

In addition to the physical and mental health findings of Washington Correctional Institution referenced in the main body of the survey report (which fall within the scope of the institutional staff to correct), several other areas of concern were noted. These findings may be based on standards adopted by the CMA, but not addressed in OHS policy, procedure, or directive, or on other issues beyond institutional control. Therefore, corrective actions at the institutional level can be initiated only by or with the authority or intervention of the OHS.

The items listed below identify the finding, the name of the audit instrument used by CMA surveyors and the specific screen number, if applicable, and what criteria were used to determine the standard was not met.

PHYSICAL HEALTH

- 1. There was no policy addressing elective medical or surgical procedures and how the inmate may pursue any elective medical or surgical procedure the department declines to provide.** This standard is referenced in the CMA Administrative Review Instrument, Question 20 and is based upon American Correctional Association standard 1-HC-3A-05.
- 2. Special housing inmates were not offered one hour of exercise per day, outside the cell, five days per week.** This standard is referenced in the CMA Administrative Review Instrument, Question 23 and is based upon American Correctional Association standard 1-HC-3A-15.
- 3. There was no evidence of a system for supervisory review of sick call or emergency encounters.** This standard is referenced in the CMA Episodic Care Systems Review Instrument, Questions 4 & 7 and is based upon national correctional healthcare standards and prevailing professional practices in the community at large.
- 4. No evidence was available demonstrating annual peer review of the CHO and other licensed health care practitioners.** This standard is referenced in the CMA Quality Management Systems Review Instrument, Question 16 and is based upon national correctional healthcare standards and prevailing professional practices in the community at large.

MENTAL HEALTH

- 5. Physician's orders did not specify observations at least every 15 minutes for inmates admitted to Suicide Observation Status (SOS).** This standard is referenced in the CMA Self-Injury/Suicide Prevention Record Review Instrument, Screen 3 and is based upon national correctional healthcare standards and prevailing professional practices in the community at large.

- 6. All applicable staff, to include security and medical staff members, are not trained in the use of psychiatric restraints.** This standard is referenced in the CMA Mental Health Systems Reviews, Psychiatric Restraints Systems Questions Instrument, Question 2 and is based upon national correctional healthcare standards and prevailing professional practices in the community at large.
- 7. The current number of mental health staff was insufficient to meet the needs of the inmate population.** This standard is referenced in the CMA Mental Health Systems Reviews, Outpatient Mental Health Systems Questions instrument, Question 9 and is based upon national correctional healthcare standards and prevailing professional practices in the community at large.
- 8. Treatment staff were not given twelve hours of relevant clinical inservice training annually.** This standard is referenced in the CMA Mental Health Systems Reviews, Outpatient Mental Health Systems Questions instrument, Question 11 and is based upon national correctional healthcare standards.
- 9. There was no system in place to review critical incidents (suicidal incidents, suicide watch, or psychiatric restraint episodes) by administration, security, and health services.** This standard is referenced in the CMA Mental Health Systems Reviews, Self-Injury/Suicide Prevention Systems Questions instrument, Question 8 and is based upon national correctional healthcare standards.