

# ADMISSION AND ORIENTATION



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## **INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of this handbook is to provide arriving inmates with information regarding the Bureau of Prisons (BOP), its programs, and the rules and regulations Admission and Orientation (A & O) Handbook. It is not a specific guide to the detailed policies of the BOP. Rather, the material in this handbook will help new inmates more quickly understand what they will be encountering when they enter prison, and hopefully assist them in their initial adjustment to incarceration.

## **INTAKE, CLASSIFICATION AND THE UNIT TEAM**

### **Orientation**

Inmates are given a social screening by Unit Management staff and medical screening by Health Services and Mental Health staff at the time of arrival. Inmates are immediately provided with a copy of the institution rules and regulations, which include information on inmate rights and responsibilities. It also includes information on sexual assault and abuse.

Within 28 days of arrival, inmates will participate in the A&O Program. While in A&O, inmates are advised of the programs, services, policies and procedures regarding the facility.

### **Classification Teams (Unit Teams)**

Each inmate is assigned to a housing unit. A unit is a self-contained inmate living area that includes both housing sections and office space for unit staff. Each unit is staffed by a Unit Team directly responsible for the inmates living in the unit. The unit offices are located in the units so staff and inmates can be accessible to each other. The unit staff typically includes a Unit Manager, Case Manager, Correctional Counselor, and Unit Secretary. The Staff Psychologist, Education Advisor and Unit Officer are considered members of the Unit Team and provide input for classification purposes.

Inmates are assigned to a specific Unit Team. Generally, the resolution of issues or matters of interest while at the institution are most appropriately initiated with the Unit Team. Unit Team members are available to assist in many areas, including parole matters, release planning, personal and family problems, counseling and assistance in setting and attaining goals while in prison. Ordinarily, a member of the unit staff will be at the institution from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., and during the day on weekends and holidays.

## **GENERAL FUNCTIONS OF UNIT STAFF**

### **Unit Manager**

The Unit Manager is the administrative head of the general unit and oversees all unit programs and activities. The Unit Manager is the Chairperson of the team which comprises the Case Manager, Correctional Counselor, with input from Education and Psychology staff. The Unit Manager reviews team decisions and may chair the Unit Discipline Committee (UDC), which is a body that hears disciplinary infractions. The Unit Manager is ordinarily present during initial classification and subsequent program review(s) in which Residential Re-Entry Center (RRC) placement is discussed.

**Case Manager**

The Case Manager is responsible for all casework services i.e. inmates' program review and social furloughs. She/he prepares classification material, progress reports, release plans, correspondence, and other materials relating to the inmate's commitment. The Case Manager serves as a liaison between the inmate, the administration, and the community.

**Correctional Counselor**

The Counselor provides counseling and guidance for the inmates of the unit in areas of institutional adjustment, personal difficulties, and plans for the future. He/she plays a leading role in segments of unit programs relating to inmate activities such as: bed and job assignments; inmate visitor approval; and ensuring inmates with fines, assessments, and restitution are in compliance with the Financial Responsibility Program (FRP). The Unit Counselor may conduct counseling groups for inmates in his/her unit and/or groups open to the general population.

**Unit Secretary**

The Unit Secretary performs clerical and administrative duties, assigned by the Unit Manager, to include the preparation of release paperwork and furlough transfer packets. She/he is essential to the work of the unit organization and is knowledgeable of policies and procedures.

**Unit Officer**

The Unit Officers have direct responsibility for the daily supervision of inmates and the enforcement of rules and regulations. They have safety, security, and sanitation responsibilities in the unit. Unit Officers are in regular contact with inmates in units and are encouraged to establish professional relationships with them, as long as such interaction does not interfere with their primary duties. Unit Officers control movement in and out of the unit and conduct regular searches for contraband.

**Communications**

Normally, a unit staff member is available Monday through Friday each day of the week. The unit bulletin boards and the TRULINCS system contain written communication of interest to inmates. Unit Managers may utilize monthly Town Hall meetings to dispense information and foster improved communications. Unit team members will utilize either open house hours or an open door policy to address inmate concerns. Inmates are also encouraged to use Inmate Requests to Staff to make requests in writing.

**Initial Classification/Program Reviews**

Inmates initially designated to the institution will receive initial classification within 28 days of arrival. Unit, Education, and Psychology staff will assess each inmate and work with them to develop an individual plan which will address skill deficits that may deter successful reentry into the community.

Subsequent program reviews will be held every 90 to 180 days, depending upon release date. These are held by the Unit Team to review progress on programming goals, work assignments, transfers, custody/security level, institutional adjustment, etc. The inmate may not waive appearance with the Unit Team.

**Release Preparation Programming (RPP)**

Release preparation begins on the first day of incarceration. The BOP's reentry strategy provides inmates with the opportunity to gain the necessary skills and resources to succeed upon release. Through coordinated efforts among the departments in the institution and collaboration with other agencies, a wide array of programs and activities are offered to better inmates' chances of a successful reentry upon release.

It is imperative at initial classification (Team) that inmates are open and honest when answering questions to allow the team to accurately identify needs and make appropriate program recommendations to improve inmates' chances of a successful reentry. Each time an inmate goes to team, he or she will receive a progress update and new recommendations as warranted. Contributors and programming recommendations include Education, Health Services, Psychology, Unit Team, Recreation, Religious Services, the inmate's Work Detail Supervisor, and the inmate. Inmates are strongly encouraged to take advantage of programs.

Additionally, to make the transition back to the community go as smoothly as possible, inmates should obtain at least two forms of identification to include a social security card. Inmates may also be eligible for some benefits upon release (e.g., social security disability, veteran's, Medicare etc.) to make the transition easier. Staff may be able to provide you with information concerning benefits so that you may determine your eligibility and begin the application process, if applicable, prior to release. Lastly, the Career Resource Center, normally located in the Education Department, can also provide you with pre and post release programming and education ideas, potential employment and housing information, as well as potential benefits information. Any other Reentry concerns should be direct to the institution's Reentry Affairs Coordinator (RAC).

**Town Hall Meetings**

Town Hall meetings are held to make announcements and to discuss changes in the policy and procedures of the unit. Inmates are encouraged to ask pertinent questions of the staff and any guest speakers who are present. These questions should pertain to the unit as a whole, rather than personal questions or problems. Personal issues will be resolved by unit staff during the regular working hours which are posted in each unit.

**Treaty Transfer for Non-U.S. Inmates**

Inmates who are not U.S. citizens may be eligible for a transfer to their home country to serve the remainder of their sentence. At initial classification, the inmate will be advised if the inmate's home country has a formal exchange treaty with the United States. The Case Manager will provide additional information regarding an inmate's eligibility for participation in the program.

**Foreign Consular**

The most recent publication of the Consular Notification and Access directory will be located in the Law Library.

## **DAILY INMATE LIFE**

### **Inmate Request to Staff Member**

Inmates may use an electronic Inmate Request to Staff Member or (form BP-S148), commonly called a Cop-Out, to make a written request to a staff member. Any type of request can be made with this form. Cop-outs may be obtained in the living units from the Correctional Officer or Unit Team on duty. Staff members will answer the request within a reasonable period of time.

### **Adverse Weather**

In the event of adverse weather, listen and comply with staff commands. It is your responsibility to review the evacuation plans posted throughout the institution. Areas shaded in green represent tornado shelters. If a Tornado Warning is issued and you are housed at the SCP move to the shower/restroom area of your assigned range and sit in a position to protect your head. If you are housed in units A-H, sit in the inside wall of your cube or cell in a position to protect your head.

### **Sanitation**

It is the inmate's responsibility to check his living area immediately after being assigned there and report all damages to the Unit Officer or Correctional Counselor. An inmate may be held financially liable for any damage to his personal living area.

Each inmate is responsible for making his bed in accordance with posted regulations before work call (including weekends and holidays when he leaves the area). Each inmate is also responsible for sweeping and mopping his living area floor, removing trash, and ensuring it is clean and sanitary. Cardboard boxes and other paper containers are not permitted for storage due to their combustible nature. Lockers must be neatly arranged inside and out, and all shelving must be neat and clean. Chairs are assigned and will not be defaced or marked in any manner by the inmate.

Toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, razors, and soap for personal hygiene are issued by the institution. Inmates may purchase name brand items through the Commissary.

### **Personal Property Limits**

Items which may be retained by an inmate are limited for sanitation and security reasons, and to ensure excess personal property is not accumulated which would constitute a fire hazard or impair staff searches of the living area.

## Rules Regarding Living Area and Storage of Property

- Hobby craft items maintained in the housing unit must be accompanied by an approval form from Recreation and approved by both Recreation Staff and the Unit Manager.
- Empty containers are not to be kept, they must be recycled.
- Pictures/cards/notes/etc., will not be posted anywhere outside the locker.
- No strings/clotheslines are allowed.
- Windows and window sills must be kept clear of all items.
- Bunk beds and lockers that are not occupied by inmates must be cleared of any items.
- 1 cup, 1 bowl, 2 books, and 1 alarm clock are the only items to be stored on top of the locker. No items are to be stored behind lockers.
- 1 ironed set of green shirt and pant may be hung outside the locker on a hanger.
- Only shoes will be allowed to be stored beneath your bunk.
- Coats will be hung in front of the locker over the uniform on a hanger.
- Towels and laundry bags will be hung in the front of the bunk as shown in picture.
- Chairs, bunks, mattresses, and lockers are not to be altered in any way.
- Both chairs assigned to bunks will be stacked at the foot of the bed when not in use.

### **Clothing**

Civilian clothing (i.e. clothing not issued to the inmate by the BOP or purchased by the inmate through the Commissary) ordinarily is not authorized for retention by the inmate. Pre-release civilian clothing for an inmate may be retained by staff in the Receiving and Discharge area during the last 30 days of an inmate's confinement. All inmates are prohibited from wearing any clothing not government-issued or purchased in the Commissary. No inmates may be issued, permitted to purchase, or have in their possession any blue, black, red, or camouflage clothing or cloth items. Commissary sales of clothing are limited to the following colors: Only gray and/or white clothing may be sold. The only exception is for religious headgear. All government clothing, except undergarments will be tagged with a label indicating the inmate's name and registration number.

- a) Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., inmates must wear institution issued clothing which includes: white t-shirt, spruce green shirt, (tucked in and outside of any other clothing, e.g. sweatshirts, or thermal tops), spruce green slacks, belt, socks, and work boots (with the exception of those carrying soft shoe permits).
- b) Inmates participating in recreation programs, in recreation areas, or traveling to and from recreation areas, may wear recreation clothing including sweat pants, shorts, t-shirts, and athletic shoes. **Shirts must be worn at all times in all recreation areas.**
- c) After hours and on the weekends, recreation clothing is permissible in all areas.
- d) Inmates are to be properly dressed while in the Units. Shirts are to be worn at all times, unless in the shower area. All clothing is to be cleaned and washed on a regular basis and maintained in an acceptable manner.

e) Shower caps may only be worn in the shower. Nylon “skulls-caps or doo rags” are not permitted outside the living areas. Inmates will not wear hats or sunglasses inside any building, with the exception of hats for Food Service workers while at work, or approved religious headwear.

### **Commissary/Special Purchase Items**

These items are authorized to the point they can be contained in the storage area provided for personal property.

### **Letters, Books, Photographs, Newspapers, and Magazines**

An inmate will be limited in the number of letters, books, photographs, magazines, and newspapers that can be stored in their designated storage space. Nothing is to be tacked, stapled or scotch taped to any surface. Ordinarily, photographs, particularly those of family and friends, are approved, since they represent meaningful ties to the community. A personal photograph is defined as a photograph intended for individual viewing, as opposed to a photograph published for commercial use. Personal photographs may be stored or displayed inside of lockers only. Inmates may not retain Polaroid photos. Nude or sexually suggestive photos (individual prints or copies as opposed to those from publications) present special concerns about personal safety, security, and good order, particularly when the subject is an inmate’s relative, friend, or acquaintance or could reasonably be perceived as such. For these reasons, an inmate may not be permitted to retain, receive, or possess a personal photograph in which the subject is partially nude, completely nude, sexually suggestive, or when the photograph depicts sexual acts such as intercourse, fellatio, or sodomy. These materials will be returned to the sender upon receipt at the institution.

### **Legal Materials**

Staff may allow an inmate to possess legal materials in accordance with the provisions on inmate legal activities.

### **Hobby craft Materials**

Please refer to the Institution Supplement TOM 5370.11, *Recreation Programs*, for specific rules, procedures and a listing of approved hobby craft special purchase order items.

### **Radios, MP3 Players, and Watches**

An inmate may possess only one approved radio or MP3 player, and watch at a time. The inmate must be able to demonstrate proof of ownership. An inmate who purchases a radio, MP3 player, or watch through a BOP commissary is ordinarily permitted the use of that item at any BOP institution if the inmate is later transferred. If the inmate is not allowed to use the radio, MP3 player, or watch at the new institution, the inmate shall be permitted to mail, at the receiving institution's expense, the item to a destination of the inmate’s choice. Where the inmate refuses to provide a mailing address, the radio, MP3 player, and/or watch may be disposed of through approved methods, including destruction of the property. The MP3 player can be managed through TRU-Units. This service allows inmates to manage the player and to purchase non-explicit music. MP3 players are not authorized or transferrable to contract facilities.

### **Jewelry**

Inmates may have a plain wedding band and an appropriate religious medallion and chain without stones.



**Smoking**

Inmate smoking is prohibited in all BOP facilities.

**LIVING QUARTERS RULES**

In order to minimize maintenance costs, permit uniform inspection, search procedures, and maintain orderly congregate living, the institution has imposed reasonable regulations on inmate conduct and furnishings in housing units. Unit Officers and Counselors inspect all living areas daily and publish individual ratings of appearance.

The rules include items such as:

Monday through Friday, living quarters must be clean and ready for inspection from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and federal holidays, living quarters must be clean. Living quarters will be arranged as depicted in the picture posted on the bulletin board in the unit. All beds are to be made daily in the prescribed manner. If a living area is not acceptable, disciplinary action may be taken.

Lights in the housing areas will remain on during the following hours:

Monday-Friday: 6:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
Saturdays, Sundays, and Federal Holidays: 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Pictures, cards, notes, etc. will not be posted anywhere on the bunks or out of lockers.

Letters, books, photographs, newspapers and magazines will be limited in the number that can be stored in your locker in accordance with local policy for Inmate Personal Property (TOM 5580.08B).

Laundry loops must be hung up on the bed hooks. One set of ironed green clothes may be hung outside the locker on a hanger.

Beds are to be made daily with a 6 to 12 inch collar on the top sheet as depicted in the picture posted on the bulletin board. Inmates who are off-duty, on vacation, or on medical lay-in may lie on top of the bed; however, the bed must still be made at the prescribed time.

Food items that are left open create a health hazard. These items must be properly sealed at all times. Empty containers may not be used as storage or drinking containers and are to be recycled.

**\*\*Please be aware that both male and female staff routinely work and visit inmate housing areas.\*\***

General wake-up for all inmates is 6:00 a.m. The unit is called to breakfast by Correctional Services staff. The Officer will announce breakfast when notified, and the Control Center will announce meal times. Inmates are given a reasonable amount of time to leave the unit if they desire breakfast. It is the inmate's responsibility to leave the unit for work. Late sleepers who are unable to report to work on time are subject to disciplinary action.

Quiet time in the unit is from 10:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m.  
Each inmate is responsible for the cleaning and sanitation of his living area.

Everyone is responsible for cleaning up after themselves.  
Sexually suggestive photographs are **NOT** authorized for display anywhere. Provocative pictures, posters, cartoons, and any items cut out of magazines may not be displayed.

Showers are available every day, but inmates may not be in the shower during an official count. Additionally, showers are closed Monday-Friday, from 7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. for cleaning.

### **TV Room and Fenced Recreation Schedule**

Sunday through Saturday: Upon the completion of the 5:00 a.m. count to 2:00 a.m., excluding count times.

The outside recreation areas will be available from 6:00 a.m. until 2:00 a.m., except during count time.

Any time staff determines a television was purposefully damaged or made inoperable; all television rooms will be closed at the discretion of the Unit Manager. Disruptive conduct, poor sanitation and excessive noise in the television areas may result in termination of viewing privileges. Inmates must use headphones to listen to the television. The television rooms are general viewing on a first come basis.

Safety shoes must be worn to work as designated in TOM-1600.09 (Safety Footwear).

### **FIRE SAFETY**

Fire prevention and safety is everyone's responsibility. Inmates are required to report fires to the nearest staff member, so that property and lives can be protected. It is your responsibility to review the fire evacuation plans posted in living quarters, housing units, recreation, food service, work sites and all general areas, for the nearest escape route. Ceiling lights shall not be covered with any type of material (paper, blankets, etc.) and the accumulation of newspapers, magazines, and books creates a fire hazard. Excessive or altered items will be confiscated and may result in an incident report.

Staff at the institution are trained in using emergency fire suppression equipment. During a fire emergency, you will be notified by a fire alarm and/or staff. Upon evacuation, you will be escorted to a temporary holding area until the unit has been cleared for return. Fire drills will be conducted quarterly by staff. This is to familiarize the entire unit with fire emergency procedures. Failure to participate in fire drills will result in an incident report.

## **CLOTHING EXCHANGE & LAUNDRY**

Institutions issue clothing to the inmate population that is properly fitted, climatically suitable, and presentable. Institutions will furnish each inmate with sufficient clothing to allow at least three changes of clothes weekly. Any destruction, mutilation, negligence or unauthorized use of institution clothing, bedding or towels, on an inmate's part, may result in disciplinary action.

- A. **Clothing issued:** 4 shirts; 4 pairs of slacks; 6 pairs of boxers;  
6 pairs of socks; 6 t-shirts; 1 pair of institutional boots; 1 winter coat; 1 belt

**Linen:** 2 sheets; 1 pillow case; 2 towels; 2 washcloths; 2 blankets

*Note: Clothing/Linen may not be marked on, drawn on, or altered in any way.*

- B. **Laundry Loops:** Each inmate is issued three laundry loops for clothing. One loop will be for spruce green slacks and shirts. Another loop will be for undergarments and t-shirts. The third loop will be for any personal clothing (t-shirts, sweatpants, and sweatshirts).
- C. **Exchanges/Repairs:** All exchanges of clothing or repairs will be requested on Inmate Request to Staff Member electronically via TRULINCS addressed to Laundry. Once approved, the request will be returned to the inmate with approved items for pick up. No items will be issued without a signed, approved request. Bring the approved request with you on Fridays to the Institution Warehouse Foyer from 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. to pick up your approved items. If you wish to exchange your clothing items, you will be required to bring your used items. All items needing exchanged will be on a one for one basis.
- D. **Linen and Blanket Exchange:** The Institution Laundry Department will exchange washcloths and bath towels on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Warehouse (M-Unit/Camp inmates) or Laundry (A-Unit inmates) from 6:15 a.m. to 6:45 a.m. on a one-for-one exchange. Linens (sheets, pillowcases, and blankets) will be exchanged on Fridays in the Warehouse (M-Unit/Camp inmates) or Laundry (A-Unit inmates) from 6:15 a.m. to 6:45 a.m., on a one-for-one exchange.
- E. **Inmate Releases:** When an inmate is released from SCP Thomson, he must turn in all clothing and linens that were issued to him. Each inmate will be responsible for each article of clothing and linen issued to him.
- F. **Hygiene Items and Correspondence Materials:** Inmates may pick up institution issued hygiene items and correspondence materials (envelopes and paper) on Fridays in the Warehouse (M-Unit/Camp inmates) or Laundry (A-Unit inmates) from 6:15 a.m. to 6:45 a.m.

## **COMMISSARY**

The BOP maintains inmates' monies (Deposit Fund) while incarcerated.

The purpose of the Deposit Fund is to provide inmates the privilege of obtaining merchandise and services either not provided by the BOP or a different quality than that provided by the BOP. An inmate may use funds in their account to purchase items at the institution commissary, place funds on their inmate phone account, purchase TRU-Units for their TRULINCS account, or send funds by creating a BP-199. Inmates may not be in possession of cash at any time.

Upon release, all Trust Fund accounts will be consolidated and placed on an Inmate Release Debit Card.

Commissary and validation schedules are posted on the inmate bulletin boards. Funds are withdrawn after positive identification by inmate identification card or fingerprint identification. It is the inmate's responsibility to know the amount of money available in their account. Inmates may verify their account balances by utilizing the TRULINCS or the inmate telephone (118+PAC). Inmates must have their identification card in their possession at all times for identification purposes.

Inmates are permitted to shop once per week. The Commissary will be open on Tuesday. Special purchase orders and shoes may be purchase on normal shopping days.

- The sales unit will be closed for a pre-determined week in March and again in September to conduct inventory. Notification of the planned closure will be posted via TRULINCS. Plan accordingly.
- Inmates must deposit a completed Commissary list and wait until your name is called to proceed to the sale window. Once your list is submitted, do not leave the lobby. No substitutions or additions will be made once the list is submitted.
- All items are sold as is, with no warranty implied, other than MP3 players. No returns will be accepted after leaving the sales area.
- All complaints must be settled before leaving the sales area. All sales are FINAL.
- Copy cards will be sold during the inmate's shopping day.
- Your spending limit will be established as described in Program Statement 4500.11, *Trust Fund/Deposit Fund Manual*.

### **Sale Hours**

Commissary sales will be conducted on Tuesday. Commissary will be opened during the morning mainline (6:15 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.) and during the noon mainline (10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.).

**Spending Limitations**

The National Spending Limit is \$360.00 but may be further restricted at the local level. Each inmate account is revalidated on a monthly, bi-weekly, or weekly cycle.

**Deposits to Accounts***U.S. Postal Service*

Inmates' families and friends choosing to send inmates funds through the mail must send those funds to the following address with the directions provided below:

Federal Bureau of Prisons  
Insert Valid Committed Inmate Name  
Insert Inmate Eight-Digit Register Number  
Post Office Box 474701  
Des Moines, Iowa 50947-0001

The deposit must be in the form of a money order made out to the inmate's full committed name and complete eight-digit register number. Effective December 1, 2007, all non-postal money orders and non-government checks processed through the National Lockbox will be placed on a 15-day hold. The BOP will return to the sender funds that do not have valid inmate information provided the envelope has an adequate return address. Personal checks and cash cannot be accepted for deposit.

The sender's name and return address must appear on the upper left-hand corner of the envelope to ensure the funds can be returned to the sender in the event that they cannot be posted to the inmate's account. The deposit envelope must not contain any items intended for delivery to the inmate. The BOP shall dispose of all items included with the funds.

In the event funds have been mailed but have not been received in the inmate's account and adequate time has passed for mail service to Des Moines, Iowa, the sender must initiate a tracer with the entity who sold them the money order to resolve any issues.

**Western Union Quick Collect Program**

Inmates' families and friends may also send inmates funds through Western Union's Quick Collect Program. All funds sent via Western Union's Quick Collect will be posted to the inmate's account within two to four hours, when those funds are sent between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. EST (seven days per week, including holidays). Funds received after 9:00 p.m. EST will be posted by 7:00 a.m. EST the following morning. Funds sent to an inmate through the Quick Collect Program may be sent via one of the following ways:

- 1) At an agent location with cash: The inmate's family or friends must complete a Quick Collect Form. To find the nearest agent, they may call 1-800-325-6000 or go to [www.westernunion.com](http://www.westernunion.com).
- 2) By phone using a credit/debit card: The inmate's family or friends may simply call 1-800-634-3422 and press option 2.

3) ONLINE using a credit/debit card: The inmate's family and friends may go to [www.westernunion.com](http://www.westernunion.com) and select "Quick Collect".

For each Western Union Quick Collect transaction, the following information must be provided:

- 1) Valid Inmate Eight-Digit Register Number (entered with no spaces or dashes) followed immediately by Inmate's Last Name
- 2) Committed Inmate Full Name entered on Attention Line
- 3) Code City: FBOP, DC

Please note the inmate's committed name and eight-digit register number must be entered correctly. If the sender does not provide the correct information, the transaction cannot be completed. The Code City is always FBOP, DC.

Each transaction is accepted or rejected at the point of sale.

The sender has the sole responsibility of sending the funds to the correct inmate.

If an incorrect register number and/or name are used and accepted and posted to that inmate, funds shall not be returned.

Any questions or concerns regarding Western Union transfers should be directed to Western Union by the sender (general public). Questions or concerns should not be directed to the BOP.

### **MoneyGram Express Payment Program**

Inmates' families and friends may also send inmates funds through MoneyGram's Express Payment Program. All funds sent via MoneyGram's Express Payment will be posted to the inmate's account within two to four hours, when those funds are sent between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. EST (seven days per week, including holidays). Funds received after 9:00 p.m. EST will be posted by 7:00 a.m. EST the following morning. Funds sent to an inmate through the MoneyGram Express Payment Program may be sent via one of the following ways:

- 1) At an agent location with cash: The inmate's family or friends must complete a MoneyGram Express Payment Blue Form. To find the nearest agent, they may call 1-800-926-9400 or go to [www.moneygram.com](http://www.moneygram.com).

For each MoneyGram Express Payment transaction, the following information must be provided:

- Valid Inmate Eight-Digit Register Number (entered with no spaces or dashes), followed immediately by Inmate's Last Name
- Company Name: Federal Bureau of Prisons
- City & State: Washington, DC
- Receive Code: Must always be 7932
- Committed Inmate Full Name entered on Beneficiary Line

Please note that the inmate's committed name and eight-digit register number must be entered correctly. If the sender does not provide the correct information, the transaction cannot be completed.

Each transaction is accepted or rejected at the point of sale. The sender has the sole responsibility of sending the funds to the correct inmate. If an incorrect register number and/or name are used and accepted and posted to that inmate, funds shall not be returned.

- 2) ONLINE using a credit, debit or prepaid card (Visa or MasterCard only): The inmate's family and friends can click on [www.moneygram.com/paybills](http://www.moneygram.com/paybills). Enter the Receive Code (7932) and the amount you are sending (up to \$300.00). If you are a first time user you also must set up a profile and account.

Any questions or concerns regarding MoneyGram Express Payment transfers should be directed to MoneyGram by the sender (general public). Questions or concerns should not be directed to the BOP.

### **Commissary Fund Withdrawal**

Requests for Withdrawal of Inmate Personal Funds, BP-199 forms, will be processed weekly by Trust Fund, Inmate Accounts. Withdrawals are initiated in TRULINCS, Send Funds (BP-199) by the inmate. When the BP-199 is printed it must be signed by the inmate in staff presence and hand delivered. The Supervisor of Education approves withdrawal requests for correspondence courses and materials for approved education programs. Unit Managers will approve all other withdrawal requests. Only an Associate Warden can approve inmate withdrawals exceeding \$500.00.

### **TRULINCS**

The Trust Fund Limited Inmate Computer System (TRULINCS) is the inmate computer network that provides inmates access to multiple services. At no time do the inmates have any access to the Internet.

Inmate's may access dedicated TRULINCS workstations installed in various housing units and common areas to perform various functions using their register number, Phone Access Code (PAC), and the fingerprint process or Commissary Personal Identification Number (PIN). Inmate access to these workstations varies depending on the institution.

Account Transactions – This service allows inmates to search and view their Commissary, telephone, and TRULINCS account transactions, as well as, view their Media List.

Bulletin Board – This service is used to supplement the use of inmate bulletin boards within the institution for disseminating information to the inmate population.

Contact List - This service is used by inmates to manage their email address list, telephone list, and postal mailing list. Inmates also mark for print postal mailing labels within this service.

If an email address is entered for a contact, TRULINCS sends a system generated message to the contact directing them to [www.corrlinks.com](http://www.corrlinks.com) to accept or reject email contact with the inmate prior to receiving any messages from the inmate. If a positive response is received, the inmate may begin exchanging electronic messages with this contact. If a contact rejects TRULINCS participation, the inmate is blocked from sending any messages to that email address.

**Law Library** – This service allows inmates to perform legal research

**Manage Funds** – This service allows inmates to manage their personal funds by creating/canceling Requests for Withdrawal of Inmate Personal Funds (BP-199) and their Pre-Release Account.

**Manage TRU-Units** – This service allows inmates to purchase TRU-Units using available Commissary funds or transfer TRU-Units back to their Commissary account.

**Prescription Refill** – This service allows inmates to request prescription refills via TRULINCS of self-carry medications that are ready for refill directly to the Pharmacy. Pharmacy staff will receive the prescription refill request and process the request accordingly. Inmates will follow established local procedures for picking up requested prescriptions.

**Print** – This service allows inmates the opportunity to print various documents marked for print within TRULINCS. Mailing labels and BP-199 forms may be printed for free. All other documents can be printed at a cost.

**Public Messaging** – Inmates may correspond with friends and family using public messaging. This is a restricted version of email that will only allow text messages and no attachments. There is a cost per minute fee for using this service. Messages are limited to 13,000 characters.

**Request to Staff** – This service allows inmates to correspond with staff electronically. The list of available departments varies by institution; however, there is a standard DOJ Sexual Abuse Reporting mailbox available that provides inmate with an additional method to report allegations of sexual abuse and harassment directly to the Office of Inspector General (OIG).

**Survey** – This service allows inmates to take BOP surveys (i.e., Institution Character Profile).

### **Inmate Telephone System –TRUFONE**

Each inmate will be provided a nine-digit Phone Access Code (PAC) for accessing TRUFONE; including instructions for use of this system. The PAC is confidential and should not be shared with other inmates. A replacement fee will be charged if a PAC is misplaced or compromised. In addition, each inmate will need to perform voice verification registration. Management of inmates' telephone numbers is performed via the TRULINCS.

The hours of telephone operation begin at 6:00 a.m. and end no later than 11:30 p.m., excluding count times.



Inmates are expected to be at their work assignments and must not use the telephone during their work hours. For inmates who work varied work shifts, at local discretion, institutions may leave one telephone per unit available for inmates on “days off,” or “evening shift.”

Directions for use of TRUFONE are posted near the telephones. All calls are limited to 15 minutes. Telephone calls are subject to monitoring and recording by institution staff. Inmates are limited to 300 minutes per month and may be used for any combination of collect or direct dial calls. Ordinarily, inmates will be allowed an extra 100 minutes per month in November and December.

TRUFONE funds are transferred using the TRUFONE system and must be done in even dollar amounts. The TRUFONE funds are deducted from an inmate’s commissary account and transferred to the TRUFONE account immediately. Transfers may be made from any telephone during operational hours. It is each inmate’s responsibility to verify the correctness of the amount transferred at the time of transfer.

### **VISITING PROCEDURES**

It is the policy of the BOP to encourage visiting by family and friends to maintain your morale and to develop closer relationships between you and your family and others in the community. Some of your basic questions concerning visiting will be answered in this handbook.

However, we recommend that you consult with your Correctional Counselor or other Unit Team members and become fully aware of the visiting regulations.

Upon your arrival, you will receive a form on which to list the persons you wish to visit you. The proposed visitors are screened and your Correctional Counselor will notify you once a visitor has been approved or denied visitation. Contact your Correctional Counselor if you wish to add or delete an individual from your list.

#### **Visiting Schedule**

Friday: 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sunday & Federal Holidays: 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Due to limited space in the visiting room, the number of persons allowed while visiting one inmate is limited to two adults. The Visiting Room Officer will not allow more than two visitors to visit one inmate at any given time without prior approval of the Unit Manager.

A point system will be utilized. The maximum amount of points each month is 12. Points will be assigned as follows: Friday (1), Saturday, Sunday or holidays (2). Additional visiting can be requested by submitting a written request to the Unit Manager.

All Special Visits may be requested by submitting a written request to the Unit Manager.

#### **Visiting Regulations**

1. Visitors will not be processed in to the SCP until 4:45 p.m. on Fridays. No visitors will be processed in after 7:30 p.m. On weekends and federal holidays, visitors will not be processed in to the SCP until 7:45 a.m. Visitor processing will cease at 9:45 a.m. in preparation for the official count and will resume upon completion of the count. No visitors will be processed in after 2:00 p.m.

2. Children under 16 years of age must be accompanied by an adult family member. If the Visiting Room becomes too crowded, visits for persons from the local area will be terminated according to the time of arrival, with the first to arrive being the first to be terminated.
3. Anyone wishing to visit an inmate at this institution must be on the inmate's approved visiting list.
4. For identification purposes, visitors will be required to present a government issued picture identification card,( *i.e. **valid driver's license, passport, or other **government issued picture identification card*****). Inmates will be required to possess their inmate commissary card for identification purposes while in the Visiting Room.
5. Visiting is an extremely important family function and dress code requirements are necessary to maintain the dignity of those involved. All visitors will be properly dressed when coming to visit at the institution.

All visitors entering the institution for a visit will be appropriately attired. Visitors may not wear open-toed shoes, shorts, mini-skirts, sheer or tight fitting clothing, excessively short or low cut clothing, backless clothing, halter tops, mid drift shirts, camouflage or sleeveless clothing.

Dresses, blouses or other apparel of a suggestive or revealing nature may not be worn. Additionally, ball caps, hats, bandanas, sweat bands, do rags or any other type of head gear, are not authorized with the exception of religious or medical headgear. If the Front Lobby or Visiting Room Officer determines a visitor is improperly attired, he/she will contact the Operations Lieutenant and Institution Duty Officer to determine whether to deny or terminate the visit.

Inmates are responsible for advising their visitors of the dress requirements in the visiting room, including not wearing clothing green in color. **Visits may be denied by the Institution Duty Officer or Operations Lieutenant for noncompliance.** Excessively provocative attire is reason to deny and/or preclude visiting.

6. Visitors are not allowed to bring food, gifts, games, needlework, pocket books, baby strollers, or packages into the Visiting Room. Business transactions and written messages may not be exchanged during a visit. Items purchased in the Visiting Room vending machines may be shared with inmates and will be consumed inside the Visiting Room.
7. Inmates are required to be in appropriate uniform (green shirt, green pants, t-shirt, belt & institution work boots) before they will be processed into the Visiting Room.
8. A kiss and embrace are permitted at the beginning and end of the visiting period. Filing finger nails, braiding of hair, etc., are not appropriate activities in the Visiting Room and are not permitted.

9. Once seated, movement by inmates and their visitors should be limited to that which is necessary (going to and from the rest rooms and/or vending machine area). Unnecessary lingering, walking the aisles, etc., is distracting to other visitors and interferes with staff supervision of the Visiting Room.
10. It is the responsibility of the adult visitor to supervise their children at all times. Children should be supervised to ensure they do not disrupt other inmates and their visitors.
11. A clear coin purse or bag is allowed, but must be no larger than 8x8x8 (inches). Visitors are allowed to bring no more than \$25, in coins or bills no larger than \$5, into the Visiting Room.
12. Tobacco and electronic smoking devices are strictly prohibited.
13. Visits for Special Housing Unit Inmates: Visitors will be processed by the Visiting Room Officer at SCP Thomson for two-hour blocks of visiting on Saturdays and Sundays only. Ordinarily, SHU visits are non-contact visits.
14. A clear diaper bag, (no larger than 8"x8"x8") containing up to four of each of the following items: baby food or formula (in sealed, unopened container, NO zip-lock bags with any substance inside will be permitted), empty plastic bottles and diapers. The diaper bag will be supervised by the visiting room officers at their station and accessed by the parent when needed. Any item that cannot be thoroughly searched will not be allowed into the SCP.

**ANY VIOLATION OF VISITING REGULATIONS MAY RESULT IN DISCIPLINARY ACTION AND/OR LOSS OF VISITING PRIVILEGES AND POSSIBLE CRIMINAL PROSECUTION OF THE VISITOR.**

**Directions to SCP Thomson:**

From the West (Des Moines, IA): Take I-235 E. Merge onto I-80 E via EXIT 137A toward Davenport. Merge onto US-61 N via EXIT 295B toward Eldridge/DeWitt. Merge onto US-30 E via EXIT 137 toward De Witt/Clinton. Turn right onto 8th Ave S/US-30 E. Continue to follow US-30 E. Turn left onto Waller Rd/IL-84. Continue to follow IL-84.

From the North (Madison, WI): Take S Park St/US-151 S. Continue to follow S Park St South. S Park St South becomes US-14 E. Turn right onto State Road 92/WI-92. Turn left onto S Rutland St/WI-104/County Hwy-T. Turn onto WI-59/State Road 59. Turn onto E Main St/WI-59. Turn left onto Vine St/WI-59. Merge onto WI-11 W toward Dubuque. Turn left onto County Hwy-M. Turn left onto County Hwy-B/County Hwy-M/County Road B. Take the 1st right onto County Hwy-M/County Road M. County Hwy-M/County Road M becomes IL-73. Turn right onto IL Route 64/US-52 W/IL-64. Turn left onto S Clay St/IL-78. Continue to follow IL-78. Turn right onto Argo Fay Rd. Turn right onto Illinois Route 84/IL-84.

From the South (Springfield, IL): Take IL-97E. Merge onto I-55 N toward Chicago. Merge onto I-155 N via EXIT 127 on the left toward Peoria/Hartsburg. Merge onto I-74 W. Merge onto I-80 W. Take the IL-84 exit, EXIT 1, toward East Moline/Savanna. Turn right onto IL-84/Route 84 N.

From the East (Chicago, IL): Take I-290 W/Chicago-Kansas City Expressway W/Eisenhower Expy W. Keep left to take I-88 W/Chicago-Kansas City Expressway W via EXIT 15A toward Indiana/Aurora. Take EXIT 36 toward US-30 W/Clinton. Merge onto Lincoln Hwy W. Lincoln Hwy W becomes US-30 W. Turn onto Fulton Rd/IL-136. Turn right onto Waller Rd/IL-84. Continue to follow IL-84.

### **Local Transportation:**

#### Nearest Airports

Quad Cities International Airport (Moline, IL) – 52 miles

Dubuque Regional Airport (Dubuque, IA) – 59 miles

Chicago-Rockford International Airport (Rockford, IL) – 65 miles

Chicago O'Hare International Airport (Chicago, IL) – 144 miles

Chicago Midway International Airport (Chicago, IL) 149 Miles

#### Nearest Bus Terminal

Burlington Trailways (Davenport, IA) – 50 miles

#### Nearest Train Station

Amtrak (Moline, IL) – 50 miles

#### Local Taxi Companies

Sun Valley Cabs (Savanna, IL)

Clinton's Cab Company (Clinton, IA)

Good To Go Taxi Cab Service (Davenport, IA)

### **SECURITY PROCEDURES**

#### **Inmate Identification Cards**

Inmates are required to have their identification cards with them at all times upon departing their assigned living area. Inmates will be issued an identification card upon arrival at the institution. Inmates are responsible for the care of these cards.

#### **Counts**

There are five Official Counts every day at 12:01 a.m., 3:00 a.m., 5:00 a.m., 4:00 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., plus a 10:00 a.m. count on Saturday, Sunday and federal holidays. Inmates will be near their bunk during all counts. The 4:00 p.m., 9:30 p.m., and the 10:00 a.m. count will be a "stand-up-count." Inmates will stand in plain sight of the officer. Correctional Services will conduct Bed Book counts at infrequent times.

Do not distract those counting by talking or moving about. All radios will be turned off and earbuds will be removed. When you are on out-count (for example, on kitchen duty, etc.) respond quickly and accurately if asked for your name and register number so the out-count can be promptly reported. At no time will inmates be counted in the television rooms or recreation areas.

### **Call-Outs**

Call-outs are a scheduling system for appointments (which include medical, dental, educational, team meetings and other activities) and are posted each day on the unit bulletin boards after 4:00 p.m., on the day preceding the appointment. It is the inmate's responsibility to check for appointments on a daily basis.

### **Controlled Movement**

Movement throughout the main facility will be regulated by a procedure called controlled movement. The purpose of controlled movement is to ensure all inmate movement is orderly when an institution pass system is not in effect. Controlled movement generally begins ten minutes before the hour and ends on the hour. During the movement period, normally ten minutes, inmates may move from an area of the institution to another without a pass or staff escort. The start and end of each movement period will be announced by staff.

### **Work Calls**

Work calls will be made on regular work days, Monday through Friday. Work call for Facilities Department details will be at 6:30 a.m. Work call for all other details will be at 7:30 a.m. Inmates will be released for lunch at 11:00 a.m. and will be recalled back to work at 11:45 a.m. The end of the day recall will be at 3:30 p.m.

### **Contraband**

Items possessed by an inmate ordinarily are not considered to be contraband if the inmate was authorized to retain the item upon admission to the institution, the item was issued by authorized staff, purchased by the inmate from the commissary, purchased or received through approved channels (to include approved for receipt by an authorized staff member or authorized by institution guidelines). This ensures a safe environment for staff and inmates by reducing fire hazards, security risks, and sanitation problems which relate to inmate personal property.

Contraband includes material prohibited by law, or by regulation, or material which can reasonably be expected to cause physical injury or adversely affect the security, safety, or good order of the institution.

Staff shall consider as nuisance contraband any item other than hard contraband, which has never been authorized, or which previously has been authorized for possession by an inmate, but whose possession is prohibited when it presents a threat to security or its condition or excessive quantities of it present a health, fire, or housekeeping hazard.

Examples of nuisance contraband include: personal property no longer permitted for admission to the institution or permitted for sale in the commissary; altered personal property; excessive accumulation of commissary, newspapers, letters, or magazines which cannot be stored neatly and safely in the designated area; food items which are spoiled or retained beyond the point of safe consumption; government-issued items which have been altered, or other items made from government property without staff authorization.

Staff shall seize any item in the institution which has been identified as contraband whether the item is found in the physical possession of an inmate, in an inmate's living quarters, or in common areas of the institution. An inmate may not purchase, give, or receive any personal property from another inmate.

Staff shall return to the institution's issuing authority any item of government property seized as contraband.

Items of personal property confiscated by staff as contraband are to be inventoried and stored pending identification of the true owner (if in question) and possible disciplinary action. Staff will then provide you with a copy of the inventory as soon as practicable.

### **Shakedowns**

The placement of metal detection devices throughout the institutions may be necessary for the control of contraband. A metal detector search may be done in addition to the pat search. Staff may conduct a pat search of an inmate on a routine or random basis to control contraband. Staff may also conduct a visual search where there is reasonable belief that contraband may be concealed on your person or a good opportunity for concealment has occurred. Finally, staff may search an inmate's housing and work area, and personal items contained within those areas, without notice, randomly, and without the inmate's presence.

The property and living area will be left as close to the same conditions as found.

### **Drug Surveillance / Alcohol Detection**

BOP facilities operate drug surveillance and alcohol detection programs which include mandatory random testing, as well as testing of certain other categories of inmates. A positive test, or refusal to submit a test, shall result in an incident report.

## **PROGRAMS AND SERVICES**

### **Job Assignments**

All inmates, who have been medically cleared, will maintain a regular job assignment. Job assignments are controlled through an Inmate Performance Pay (IPP) system, which provides monetary payment for work. Unit staff assign work and approve all job changes. They also see that the changes are posted on the Daily Change Sheet.

Institutional maintenance jobs are usually the first assignment an inmate receives. This might include work in Food Service, as a unit orderly, or in a maintenance shop.

**Inmate Financial Responsibility Program**

Working closely with the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Department of Justice, the BOP administers a systematic payment program for court-imposed fines, fees, and costs. All designated inmates are required to develop a financial plan to meet their financial obligations. These obligations may include: special assessments imposed under 18 USC 3013, court ordered restitution, fines and court costs, judgments in favor of the U.S., other debts owed the Federal government, and other court-ordered obligations (e.g., child support, alimony, other judgments).

Institution staff assist in planning, but the inmate is responsible for making all payments required, either from earnings within the institution or from outside resources. The inmate must provide documentation of compliance and payment. If an inmate refuses to meet his or her obligations, the inmate cannot work for UNICOR nor receive performance pay above the maintenance pay level. He will also be placed in “refuse” status.

As the result of being in refuse status, the inmate has a spending limit of only \$25.00 monthly, can be placed in less desirable housing, will not be considered for any favorable requests, i.e. (vacations, furloughs, early release, etc.) and will score zero in responsibility on the custody classification form. These are a few examples of the sanctions that can be imposed as a result of being in refuse status.

The status of any financial plan will be included in all progress reports, and will be considered by staff when determining Security/Custody level, job assignments, eligibility for community activities, and institutional program changes. The U.S. Parole Commission will also review financial responsibility progress at parole hearings.

**FOOD SERVICE**

The BOP offers a standardized National Menu. This menu is offered at all institutions and includes approved menu items based on standard recipes and product specifications. The National Menu offers regular, heart healthy and no-flesh dietary options. At the Warden’s discretion items may be added to the National Menu by adding to a salad bar, hot bar, beverage bar (if these are part of the Food Service program) or by adding condiments such as sugar.

Medical diets will be provided by mainline self-selection from the items available on the National Menu for that meal unless menu items fail to meet the medical requirement. Menu item replacements may not always be provided as inmates may have to avoid certain foods in the self-selection process; however, if a dietitian determines a Special Diet is required to ensure adequate nutrition, it will be provided by pre-plating or controlled plating.

The religious diet program, called the Alternative Diet Program, consists of two distinct components: one component provides for religious dietary need through self-selection from the main line, which includes a no-flesh option. The other component accommodates dietary needs through nationally recognized, religiously certified processed foods and is available through the approval of Religious Services.

Inmates are required to have their inmate identification (I.D.) card at all times. If it is determined that you ate more than once per meal, an incident report shall be written.

Playing cards, books, personal items, legal work, laundry bags etc. are not permitted within food service spaces. If you are caught stealing, you will be removed from your job and an incident report shall be written.

If you are interested in working in the Food Service Department, you may submit an Inmate Request to Staff form to any on duty Food Service Staff Member. If you are assigned to work in the Food Service Department, you will be paid for the hours of satisfactory work performed.

If you have a food related question or concern during meal time, the Food Service staff are here to assist you. Please bring your concern to the attention of the Cook Supervisors monitoring the serving line. If you feel that they did not address your problem, the Assistant Food Service Administrator and/or the Food Service Administrator will be standing mainline to address questions and concerns as they arise.

#### SERVING HOURS:

Breakfast	6:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. Saturdays, Sundays and Federal Holidays
Lunch	11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Sunday through Saturday
Dinner	4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Sunday through Saturday (contingent on a clear count)

#### EDUCATION

The mission of Education/Recreation Services is to provide mandatory literacy and English-as-a-Second Language (ESL) programs as required by law, as well as other education/recreation and related programs that meet the needs and interests of the inmate population, provide options for the positive use of inmate time, and enhance successful reintegration into the community.

Education opportunities provided for Federal inmates include General Equivalency Diploma (GED) and ESL programs, as required by law. Various nationally recognized tests will be used to place inmates in appropriate education programs. Inmates must perform to the best of their abilities on exams for appropriate placement in class.

#### **Literacy/GED**

The Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act (VCCLEA) and the Prison Litigation Act (PLRA) require inmates who lack a high school diploma to participate in a GED credential program and make satisfactory progress in the program in order to be eligible to vest the maximum amount of earned good conduct time (VCCLEA sentenced inmates) or earn the maximum amount of good conduct time.



Unless exempt (pre-trial, holdover, etc.), inmates must participate in the literacy program for one mandatory period of at least 240 instructional hours, or until they achieve a GED credential. For all inmates to receive job pay promotions above the entry level, they must have a high school diploma, a GED credential, or a pay exemption.

Inmates who are exempt from attending GED class based on a deportation detainer must enroll in GED or ESL in order to receive their good conduct time.

Inmates under a final Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (BICE) order of deportation, exclusion, or removal are exempt. Inmates who have completed the mandatory period of enrollment must remain enrolled, or re-enroll to vest/earn their good conduct time. Inmates found guilty of an incident report related to their literacy program enrollment will be changed to GED UNSATISFACTORY PROGRESS, and will not vest/earn their good conduct time. Following an assignment of a GED UNSATISFACTORY PROGRESS code, inmates will be required to complete additional 240 hours of program enrollment before they can be changed back to a SATISFACTORY code.

Good conduct time will not vest while the UNSATISFACTORY assignment exists. Inmates who are eligible for District of Columbia Educational Good Time (DCEGT) can earn DCEGT for participating, but not completing GED, ESL and marketable level occupational training programs. While enrolled in the qualifying education program, inmates will earn DCEGT credit. However, DCEGT credit will show up on their sentence computation when they complete or withdraw from the qualifying program.

### **Inmates with a Verified High School Diploma**

In order to obtain a realistic and accurate assessment of an inmate's skill levels, a demonstration of literacy attainment must be verified for inmates with a high school diploma. Even though current policy accepts a high school diploma for custody classification, good time credits, education programs, etc., a high school diploma does not necessarily certify an inmate is literate. Inmates who have a high school diploma (not an AA or higher post-secondary degree) are encouraged to submit an Inmate Requests to Staff to the Education Department to request to sign-up for the Tests of Adult Basic Education (TABE) to validate their reading, language, and math computation, as well as applied math. The purpose of the TABE is to ensure these inmates have sufficient language and math skills to pursue their post-secondary education study and/or obtain a job in the community. Mastery of the reading, language, and math skills from the TABE is part of inmates' reentry plan.

### **ESL**

The Crime Control Act of 1990 mandates non-English speaking Federal prisoners participate in the ESL program. An inmates' communication skill level in English is evaluated at initial classification and interviews. Those found to have limited ability to communicate in English will be referred to the education department to determine proficiency at the 8th grade level or higher based on a nationally recognized achievement test. Inmates scoring less than the 8th grade level of proficiency will be enrolled in ESL until they function at the 8th grade level or above on a nationally recognized education achievement test. If indicated by test scores, participation in ESL will be required regardless of education degree status. Inmates with high school diplomas or college degrees may be required to participate in the ESL program.

**Incentives**

Incentive awards are provided to recognize inmates making satisfactory progress and successfully completing the literacy (i.e., GED and ESL) program.

Inmates may also receive incentives for progressing to various levels in the GED or ESL Programs. Graduation ceremonies recognize GED, ESL, and Occupational Education completions.

**Other Programs**

The completion of the literacy program is often the first step towards adequate preparation for successful post-release reintegration into society. Additional educational programs such as advanced occupational training or college are needed in today's world. Vocational training and apprenticeship programs afford inmates an opportunity to obtain marketable job skills.

**Occupational Education Programs (if available)**

Occupational Education programs prepare inmates for a specific occupation or cluster of occupations.

Inmates can earn a Certificate, Associate of Arts Degree, Associate of Science Degree, or an industry accepted certificate upon the completion of occupational training programs. Occupational education programs vary institution-to-institution.

- Inmates must request initial enrollment through the Supervisor of Education. Education staff will determine an inmate's academic eligibility for enrollment and deportation status (if applicable).
- The Supervisor of Education will notify an inmates' unit team of enrollment consideration for occupational education programs.

**Apprenticeship (if available)**

Apprenticeship training provides inmates the opportunity to participate in training which prepares them for employment in various trades. Apprenticeship programs in the BOP are registered with the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, U.S. Department of Labor. These programs are structured to offer on-the-job learning in industries. Upon completion of a registered trade, inmates can earn a Certificate of Completion from the Department of Labor.

**Adult Continuing Education (ACE)**

ACE classes enhance an inmate's general knowledge on various subjects and address the skill deficits identified in an inmate's individual reentry plan. ACE classes are organized differently in different institutions. Typical ACE classes include: typing, computer literacy, foreign language, and business skills. These classes are usually offered during evening and weekend hours.

**Post-Secondary Education (Inmate Correspondence Courses)**

Inmates are encouraged to expand their knowledge through a variety of methods, including correspondence courses. In general, inmates are permitted to enroll in any correspondence course that involves only "paper and pencil." Courses requiring equipment are generally not authorized. The cost for correspondence courses must be paid by the inmate. If an inmate has sufficient funds available in his commissary account, a Form BP-199 on TRULINCS may be used for payment. Inmates interested in enrolling in correspondence courses are required to contact the Staff Coordinator prior to enrollment. Catalogs are available from the Staff Coordinator. Diplomas or certificates from correspondence high school GED programs do not satisfy the criteria for an adult literacy program completion.

**Parenting**

The Parenting Program provides inmates information and counseling through directed classes on how to enhance their relationship with their children even while incarcerated. All Parenting Programs include a classroom and visitation component. In addition, social service outreach contacts are often established to facilitate the provision of services to the inmate parent, visiting custodial parent, and children.

**Library Services**

Leisure Libraries: Leisure libraries offer inmates a variety of reading materials, including but not limited to: periodicals, newspapers, fiction, non-fiction, and reference books. Institutions also participate in an interlibrary loan program with local, state, and college libraries.

**Electronic Law Libraries (ELL)**

Inmates are afforded access to legal materials and an opportunity to prepare legal documents in the ELL. Resources are available for inmates to prepare legal material via Trust Fund. A copying machine is available to reproduce materials needed for research. The price to reproduce materials is established by Trust Fund.

**RECREATION****Recreation, Leisure, Wellness, and Social Programs**

The BOP encourages inmates to make constructive use of leisure time and offers group and individual activities. At each facility, physical fitness and leisure programs are provided to promote positive lifestyle changes. These programs strive to provide inmates with opportunities to reduce stress and enhance overall health and emotional well-being.

**Leisure Programs**

Institutions offer a wide range of activities in which inmates may participate when not performing assigned duties. Leisure activities include: organized and informal games, sports, physical fitness, table games, hobby crafts, music programs, intramural activities, social and cultural organizations.

**Art and Hobby Craft Programs**

Art and hobby craft programs are not meant for the mass production of art and hobby craft items or to provide a means of supplementing an inmate's income. Use of hobby craft room is a privilege that the Warden or staff delegated that authority may grant or deny.

Inmates are encouraged to participate in housing unit activities such as unit-based hobby craft. The Recreation Supervisor will coordinate housing unit activities with Unit Managers.

**Wellness Programs**

Wellness programs include screening, assessments, goal setting, classes, fitness/nutrition prescriptions and counseling.

**Photo Program**

Inmate photo program procedures consists of inmates purchasing a photo ticket through commissary, exchanging one signed ticket for one picture taking to the inmate photographer during the below scheduled times.

General Population Photos: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday

Visiting Room Photos: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday

8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday

The areas that are designated for the inmate general population photographs are the leisure area and outdoor basketball court wall at the Satellite Camp.

Photo tickets may be purchased at the commissary during normal sales periods. Inmates are allowed to purchase and have in their possession no more than 10 photo tickets.

Any photo that is deemed disruptive or inappropriate will be confiscated with no refund or retake photo tickets issued. Disruptive or inappropriate photos are, but not limited: gang related material, displaying of tattoos, inappropriate dress, or lack of.

**Recreation and Zimmer**

The Zimmer Amendment was passed in 1996. The amendment does not allow for the BOP to use appropriated and non-appropriated funds to provide amenities or personal comforts in the Federal Prison System. Specifically, institutions activated prior to 1996 through attrition, will conform to the law. The main sections of Zimmer address: (1) viewing of R, X, or NC-17 movies; (2) instruction or training for boxing, wrestling, judo, karate or other martial arts or any body building or weightlifting equipment; and (3) electronic or electric instruments.

**Consequences for Rules Violation in Recreation**

Inmates are strongly encouraged to participate in recreation activities. However, when inmate behavior violates established rules, consequences may include an incident report and/or suspensions from programs.

## **RELIGIOUS SERVICES**

The Religious Services Department provides pastoral care and religious accommodation to individual and group religious beliefs and practices in accordance with the law, Federal regulations and BOP policy. Chaplains also offer pastoral counseling, spiritual direction, support and crisis intervention. Chaplains oversee the religious diet program, ceremonial religious meals and religious holiday observances. Inmates are encouraged to read Institutional Supplement TOM5360.09B, Religious Beliefs and Practices, for more information.

### **Emergency Notification**

You are encouraged to train your family to provide complete information to the institution in case of a family emergency. Incomplete information delays third-party verification, which delays notification you receive from staff. Complete information includes, but is not limited to, the caller's name, address, telephone; the affected person's name, actual location and contact information, and the name and contact for an independent third-party who can verify. At Thomson, pastoral calls are placed via the Inmate Telephone System (ITS) unless you are documented as indigent.

### **Faith-Based Re-Entry Programs (FBRE)**

New programs are offered year-round as volunteers are recruited. Some programs qualify for Release Preparation Planning (RPP) credit; others qualify for Life Threshold credit. Life Threshold is the Agency's primary FBRE program. Program offerings are posted in the Units and on Trulincs.

### **Religious Event Participation**

Sign up on a monthly basis using the paper forms supplied in the chapel program event binder. Electronic requests may also be sent.

However, callouts will be keyed once per month; late requests may not be honored. An annual list of events and deadlines for application is posted on Trulincs, as are program schedules and flyers.

### **Religious Personal Property**

See Religious Beliefs and Practices, TOM 5360.09B.

## **PSYCHOLOGY SERVICES**

Psychology Services departments in all BOP institutions offer mental health care to inmates. This care may include screening, assessment and treatment of mental health or drug abuse problems, individual and/or group counseling, psycho-educational classes, self-help and supportive services, or referral to Health Services for medical treatment of a mental illness.

If you are new to the BOP, or if you have previously identified mental health or drug abuse programming needs, you will be scheduled for an interview with Psychology Services staff. The purpose of this interview is to review your history and identify your programming needs. A psychologist may make recommendations to support your successful adjustment to prison and prepare you for your eventual release. We encourage you to participate actively in this process.

This interview is an ideal time for you to share your interest in specific services, such as drug abuse treatment or mental health counseling.

The Psychology Services department at this institution is staffed by a Chief Psychologist and Drug Abuse Program Coordinator. The department's offices are located at the main facility. There are a number of ways to contact Psychology Services at this institution.

You may:

- Submit an electronic Cop-out to TOM/InmatetoPsychologySvcs.
- Submit an Inmate Request to a Staff Member (a "Cop-out") to Psychology Services.
- Speak with a Psychology Services staff member during mainline or as they make rounds in your unit.
- Or in the case of a crisis situation, notify your Unit Officer, Unit Team, or any other BOP staff member of your urgent need to speak with Psychology Services.

### **Suicide Prevention**

Incarceration can be a difficult experience. At times, you may feel discouraged, frustrated, and helpless. It is not uncommon for people to experience depression while in jail or prison, especially if they are newly incarcerated, serving a long sentence, experiencing family problems, struggling to get along with other inmates, or receiving bad news. Over time, most inmates successfully adapt to incarceration and find ways to use their time productively and meaningfully. However, some inmates continue to struggle with the pressures of incarceration and become overwhelmed by a sense of hopelessness. If you feel a sense of hopelessness or begin thinking about suicide, talk to a staff member.

Help is available and actively seeking help is a sign of your strength and determination to prevail.

If you feel you are in imminent danger of harming yourself or someone else, you should contact a staff member immediately.

In addition, if you suspect another inmate is contemplating suicide, please notify a staff member. Staff do not always see everything inmates see. And, most suicidal individuals display some warning signs of their intentions. PLEASE alert a staff member right away if you suspect a fellow inmate is considering suicide.

The most effective way to prevent another person from taking his or her life is to recognize the factors that put people at risk for suicide take warning signs seriously and know how to respond. The warning signs of suicide may include:

- Threatening to hurt or kill oneself or talking about wanting to hurt or kill oneself
- Feeling hopeless
- Feeling rage or uncontrolled anger or seeking revenge
- Increased alcohol or drug use
- Withdrawing from friends, family, associates
- Experiencing dramatic mood changes
- Feeling anxious or agitated, being unable to sleep, or sleeping all the time
- Seeing no reason for living or having no sense of purpose

If your friend, cellmate, coworker, or associate is exhibiting these signs, start by telling the person you are concerned and give him/her examples of what you see that worries you. Listen and encourage the person to seek help. If they are hesitant, offer to go with them to speak to a staff member. If you are not confident they will seek help, notify a staff member yourself. Seeking help for a person in distress isn't "snitching", it is showing concern for the welfare of a fellow human being. If you report your concerns to staff, you can rest easy knowing you did everything within your power to assist the individual.

### **Drug Abuse Programs**

Drug abuse programming is available in all BOP institutions. The BOP offers a drug education course as well as treatment options for inmates who have abused alcohol and/or drugs. Contact the Chief Psychologist for more information.

### **Drug Abuse Education Course**

The Drug Abuse Education Course is not drug treatment. The purpose of the course is to encourage you to review the consequences of your choice to have drugs in your life, to look at the relationship between drug use and crime, and to begin to think about how different your life could be without drugs. Looking at your drug involvement in this way may motivate you to ask for drug abuse treatment. If your pre-sentence report documents a prolonged history of drug use, evidence that alcohol or drug use contributed to the commission of your offense, a judicial recommendation for treatment, or a violation of community supervision as a result of alcohol or drug use, you are required to take the Drug Abuse Education Course. Failing to take this required course will result in your ineligibility for performance pay above maintenance pay level, as well as ineligibility for bonus or vacation pay. You will also not be eligible for a Federal Prison Industries work program assignment.

If you are not sure what this means, you may want to ask your counselor.

The Drug Abuse Education Course is available in every BOP institution. If you are required to complete the course, your name will automatically be placed on the waiting list for the course. When it is time for you to complete the course, Psychology Services staff will contact you. If you would like to enroll in the course, but are not required to participate, you may submit an Inmate Request to a Staff Member (a "Cop-Out") in order to place your name on the waiting list for the course.

### **Nonresidential Drug Abuse Treatment**

Nonresidential Drug Abuse Treatment is also available in every Bureau institution. Nonresidential Drug Abuse Treatment has been developed to provide the flexibility necessary to meet each individual's treatment needs, and more specifically for:

- Inmates with a relatively minor or low-level drug abuse problem,
- Inmates with a drug use disorder who do not have sufficient time to complete the intensive Residential Drug Abuse Treatment Program (RDAP),
- Inmates with longer sentences who are in need of treatment and are awaiting placement in the RDAP,
- Inmates with a drug use history who chose not to participate in the RDAP, but want to prepare for staying sober in the community, and
- Inmates who completed the unit-based portion of the RDAP and are required to continue treatment until their transfer to a Residential Reentry Center (half-way house).

Program completion awards are only available for those who complete the program. If you are interested, ask the institution's drug abuse treatment staff for more information on these awards.

### **Residential Drug Abuse Treatment**

The Residential Drug Abuse Program (RDAP) provides intensive drug abuse treatment to inmates diagnosed with a drug use disorder. Inmates in the residential program are housed together in a treatment unit that is set apart from the general population. Treatment is provided for a minimum 9 months; however, your time in the program depends on your progress in treatment.

To apply for the RDAP you must send an Inmate Request to a Staff Member (a "Cop-Out") to obtain an interview for the program. First, staff will screen your pre-sentence report to determine if there is any documentation indicating that you have a pattern of drug abuse or dependence. If so, you will be referred to the Drug Abuse Program Coordinator for an interview to determine if you meet the diagnostic criteria for a substance use disorder.

Inmates who are diagnosed with a drug use disorder are qualified for the RDAP and are admitted to the program based on their nearness to release, as mandated by federal statute. You must have enough time left to serve on your sentence to complete the unit-based component and the community transition component of the program. Follow-up Treatment, as described earlier, is provided to inmates after they complete the unit-based component and before they transfer to a residential reentry center.

The RDAP is operated as a modified therapeutic community where inmates are expected to model the pro-social behaviors expected in a community. This means RDAP participants are role models to other inmates. Therefore, they are to demonstrate honesty, to relate positively with their peers, and to fully participate in all treatment activities in the unit. The RDAP is a half-day program, with the rest of the day devoted to work, school, and other self-improvement activities. RDAP is available in 76 BOP institutions. RDAP is not available at SCP Thomson.



If you are interested in volunteering for the RDAP and would like to know if you are eligible for the program, contact the institution's drug abuse program coordinator. You may apply for the program at any time during your incarceration, but your interview, like program admittance, will be based on your proximity to release. Ordinarily inmates are interviewed 42-24 months from release depending on the facility's security level and waiting list for the RDAP.

### **Early Release**

The Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 allows the BOP to grant a non-violent inmate up to 1 year off his or her term of imprisonment for successful completion of the residential drug abuse treatment program (Title 18 U.S.C. § 3621(e)(2)). For more information, talk to an institution drug abuse treatment specialist or drug abuse program coordinator.

### **Community Transition Drug Abuse Treatment**

To successfully complete the RDAP, inmates are required to participate in the Community Transition Drug Abuse Treatment component of the program. The BOP ensures that inmates receive continued treatment when transferred to a Residential Reentry Center (RRC) or to home confinement. The RRC, is structured to help you adjust to life in the community and find suitable post-release employment. RRCs provide a structured, supervised environment and support job placement, counseling, and other services. Within the structure of the RRC, RDAP participants continue their drug abuse treatment, with a community-based treatment provider. The BOP contracts with this provider to deliver treatment services in the community. Inmates must continue to participate in transition drug abuse treatment to earn any benefit associated with successful completion of the RDAP, e.g., early release.

In addition to these drug abuse programs, drug abuse treatment services may also be provided within the context of other specialized treatment programs with the BOP, such as the Resolve Program and the Challenge Program.

### **Specialized Mental Health Programs**

The BOP also has several residential mental health programs designed to help inmates with severe emotional, cognitive, and behavioral problems. These programs are indicated for inmates who are having difficulty functioning in a mainline institution due to a psychological disorder. They are designed to improve the day to day functioning of inmates with the goal of helping them return to a mainline institution or preventing the need for hospitalization. Psychology Services has additional information about these programs and can make recommendations for participation.

### **The Sex Offender Management Program**

The BOP offers sex offender treatment programs at our Sex Offender Management Program (SOMP) institutions. SOMP institutions have a higher proportion of sex offenders in their general population. Having a larger number of sex offenders at SOMP institutions ensures that treatment volunteers feel safe about participating in programming.

The BOP's sex offender treatment programs are stratified into two program levels:

### **The Residential Sex Offender Treatment Program**

The Residential Sex Offender Treatment Program (SOTP-R) is a high intensity program designed for high risk sexual offenders - ordinarily inmates with multiple sex offenses, or a history of contact sexual offenders. The SOTP-R is offered at the Federal Medical Center (FMC) in Devens, Massachusetts and at USP Marion in Illinois.

### **The Non-residential Sex Offender Treatment Program**

The Non-residential Sex Offender Treatment Program (SOTP-NR) is a moderate intensity program designed for low to moderate risk sexual offenders. Many of the inmates in the SOTP-NR are first-time offenders serving a sentence for an Internet sex crime. All SOMP institutions offer the SOTP-NR.

When you volunteer for treatment, BOP staff will determine whether the Residential or Non-residential Treatment Program is appropriate for you based on your offense history. If eligible for treatment, you will be transferred to a SOMP institution based on your treatment needs and security level.

If you are interested in receiving sex offender treatment and would like to know if you are eligible for the program, contact Psychology Services. You may apply at any point in your sentence. However, inmates ordinarily enter treatment when they have between 24 to 42 months remaining on their sentence.

If you are at the beginning of your sentence or have more than 48 months remaining on your sentence, you may want to wait before applying for the program.

### **Confidentiality**

Security needs and the nature of a prison environment affect mental health care in a variety of ways. Confidentiality is an important component of the therapeutic relationship. However, in a prison environment, confidentiality must be weighed against institutional needs of safety and security. Mental health providers in the institution not only serve inmates, they also serve the institution and the public at large.

In the community, certain situations require mental health providers to violate client confidentiality. For example, many states mandate reporting of child or elder abuse. Providers also must notify authorities if a client threatens suicide or serious harm to others. Similarly, prison mental health providers violate confidentiality when an inmate is at risk of serious harm to themselves or others, such as when an inmate presents a clear and present risk of escape or when an inmate is responsible for the creation of disorder within a facility.

Confidentiality may also be limited when prison mental health providers share information on a need-to-know basis with prison officials or other federal law enforcement entities. For example, before you are transferred to a RRC, mental health providers must communicate your mental health needs to your unit team.

If you tell a staff member that you are going to harm or kill yourself or someone else, or engage in a behavior that jeopardizes the safety or security of the institution, confidentiality will be breached and the appropriate individuals will be notified on a need-to-know basis only. Simply put, there is no guarantee of confidentiality in the prison setting. However, you can rely on the professional judgment of Psychology Services staff who conscientiously balance your confidentiality and the safety and security of the institution. Information that does not impact the safety and security of the institution, inmates, and staff, will not be shared. While these limitations on confidentiality may initially deter you from seeking treatment, the BOP assures you the vast majority of inmates who receive psychological services are comfortable with the decisions staff make with regard to their confidentiality. If you have additional questions about confidentiality, be certain to discuss your concerns with Psychology Services staff.

### **Escorted Trips**

Escorted trips provide approved inmates with staff escorted trips into the community for such purposes as receiving medical treatment not otherwise available, for visiting a critically ill member of the inmate's immediate family, or for participating in programs or work related functions. Additionally, bedside visits and funeral trips may be authorized for inmates with custody levels below maximum. All expenses will be borne by the inmate, except for the first eight hours of each day that the employee is on duty. There are occasions based on a determination that the perceived danger to BOP staff during the proposed visit is too great, or the security concerns about the individual inmate outweigh the need to visit the community.

### **Furloughs**

A furlough is an authorized absence from an institution by an inmate who is not under the escort of a staff member, a U.S. Marshal, other Federal or State agent.

Furloughs are a privilege, not a right, and are only granted when clearly in the public interest and for the furtherance of a legitimate correctional goal. An inmate who meets the eligibility requirements may submit an application for furlough (form BP-S291.052) to staff for approval.

### **Central Inmate Monitoring System**

The Central Inmate Monitoring System (CIMS) is a method for the Agency to monitor and control the transfer, temporary release, and participation in community activities of inmates who pose special management considerations. Designation as a CIMS case does not, in and of itself, prevent an inmate from participating in community activities. All inmates who are designated as CIMS cases will be notified by their Case Manager.

### **Marriages**

If an inmate wishes to be married while incarcerated, the Warden may authorize him to do so under certain conditions. All expenses of the marriage will be paid by the inmate.

If an inmate requests permission to marry he must:

- Have a letter from the intended spouse which verifies their intention to marry.
- Demonstrate legal eligibility to marry.
- Be mentally competent.
- The marriage must not present a security risk to the institution.

Marriage procedures are detailed in the local Institution Supplement TOM 5326.05B (Marriages of Inmates).

### **Barber Shop**

You are expected to keep your hair neat and clean. You may not wear an artificial hairpiece. Mustaches and beards are permitted.

The Barber Shop is open during the following days and hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday: 5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

The Barber Shop is closed during all official counts. There will be no hair cutting anywhere other than the Barber Shop.

The Barber Shop is located in the Overflow Visiting Room at the Satellite Camp.

### **MEDICAL SERVICES**

The BOP inmate health care delivery system includes local ambulatory clinics as well as major medical centers. Emergency medical care is available 24 hours a day in all BOP facilities. BOP clinical staff typically covers the day and evening shifts and community emergency personnel meet emergency needs when BOP clinical staff is not on-site.

The Health Services Unit at SCP Thomson functions as an ambulatory outpatient clinic. The Medical Staff consists of physicians, dentists, mid-level practitioners and medical and administrative ancillary support staff.

Health Services staff are available seven days per week. Regular hours of operation are 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

To obtain after hours emergency services, notify a staff member of your emergency immediately. Emergency medical or dental care may be administered if an injury or illness requires emergency treatment.

### **Medical and Dental Sick Call Procedures**

Inmates may request medical or dental care for a condition requiring immediate attention through sick call, by signing up in the Health Services Unit between 7:00 a.m. and 7:20 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday of each week. Inmates must be in the proper uniform and must show the assigned commissary ID card in order to be seen.

- Your medical or dental complaint will be evaluated, triaged and scheduled accordingly. Medical or dental complaints identified as emergencies will be a priority.
- Inmates will be encouraged by the healthcare provider to manage their complaints with over-the-counter medications.
- Failure to report for a scheduled call-out appointment may result in an incident report.
- If an inmate is late for a scheduled call-out appointment, for reasons other than an institutional operation, the appointment may be canceled, requiring the inmate to sign up for sick call to be evaluated.

Inmates will not be permitted in the Health Services Unit without an appointment or call-out. Inmates reporting to medical without a call-out or noted appointment are considered as being out of bounds, unless accompanied by a staff escort. An incident report may be written.

### **Emergency Medical Treatment**

A healthcare provider is available during normal working hours. Should you become ill or injured after sick call, you must notify any staff member to whom you are accountable. The healthcare provider will arrange for the most appropriate time for you to be seen in the clinic. Once your emergency status has been evaluated, you will either be treated the same day "as an emergency" or referred to Sick Call for treatment in accordance with the triage protocol. At no time will an inmate report to Health Services without the approval of a medical staff member.

### **Notice to Inmates - Inmate Copayment Program**

Pursuant to the Federal Prisoner Health Care Copayment Act (FHCCA) of 2000 (P.L. 106-294, 18 U.S.C. 4048), the Federal Bureau of Prisons and SCP Thomson provide notice of the Inmate Copayment Program for health care, effective October 3, 2005.

#### **A. Application:**

The Inmate Copayment Program applies to anyone in an institution under BOP jurisdiction and anyone who has been charged with, or convicted of, an offense against the United States, except inmates in an inpatient status at a Medical Referral Center (MRC). All inmates in an outpatient status at an MRC, and inmates assigned to the General Population at these facilities, are subject to copay fees.

#### **B. Health Care Visits with a Fee:**

You must pay a fee of \$2.00 for health care services, charged to your Inmate Commissary Account, per health care visit, if you receive health care services in connection with a health care visit that you requested, except for services described in section C at the end of this handbook.

These requested visits include Sick Call and after-hours requests to see a health care provider. If you ask a non-medical staff member to contact medical staff to request a medical evaluation on your behalf for a health service not listed in section C at the end of this handbook, you will be charged a \$2.00 co-pay fee for that visit.

You must pay a fee of \$2.00 for health care services, charged to your Inmate Commissary Account, per health care visit, if you are found responsible through the Discipline Hearing Process to have injured an inmate who, as a result of the injury, requires a health care visit.

**C. Health Care Visits with no Fee:**

A co-payment will not be charged for:

- Health care services based on health care staff referrals
- Health care, staff approved, follow up treatment for a chronic condition
- Preventive health care services
- Emergency services
- Diagnosis or treatment of chronic infectious diseases
- Mental health care
- Substance abuse treatment

If a health care provider orders or approves any of the following:

- Blood pressure monitoring
- Glucose monitoring
- Insulin injections
- Chronic care clinics
- TB testing
- Vaccinations
- Wound care
- Patient education

Your health care provider will determine if the type of appointment scheduled is subject to a copay fee.

**D. Inmates without Funds:**

An inmate without funds (indigent inmate) is defined as an inmate who has not had a trust fund account balance of \$6.00 for the past 30 days. You will not be charged a healthcare service fee if you are considered indigent and unable to pay the fee.

Health care services will never be denied due to insufficient funds. However, the Warden may impose restrictions on an inmate to prevent abuse of this provision.

Example: An inmate shows a pattern of depleting his or her commissary funds before requesting health care services.

If an inmate is NOT indigent, but does not have sufficient funds to make the copay fee on the date of the appointment, a debt will be established by TRUFACS and the amount will be deducted as funds are deposited into the inmate's Commissary Account.

### **Medication Line**

Should you require medication to be dispensed at specific times, this will be arranged with Medical Staff and Pharmacy Services. Certain medications are dispensed one dose at a time.

If you are prescribed such medication, you will be instructed to report to the Health Services Unit Pharmacy at the appropriate times to receive your medication.

*\*Pill line times may vary depending upon staffing and delayed counts.*

\*Controlled medications are dispensed at the pharmacy "pill line" during specified time periods. These times include:

#### Monday - Friday

6:15 a.m. – 6:30 a.m. (insulin only)  
 6:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.  
 11:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Pick up ONLY)  
 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (insulin only)  
 5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

#### Saturday, Sunday, & Holidays

7:15 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. (insulin only)  
 7:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.  
 NO Pick Ups  
 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (insulin only)  
 5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

### **Over-the-Counter-Medication (OTC)**

A variety of OTC medication is available in the commissary for purchase unless the inmate meets the criteria for indigent status. Indigent inmates may submit a Pharmacy OTC Medication Request form to the Pharmacy to obtain OTC medications.

### **Eyeglasses**

You may request a vision screen by signing up through sick-call procedures. You will be assessed by a healthcare provider to discuss your concern and scheduled accordingly. An eye examination may be ordered by your healthcare provider based on need. If, after examination by the Optometrist, it is determined you require prescription eye wear, a pair of standard issue eyeglasses will be provided. Inmates may retain their eyeglasses at admission if there are no security concerns; however the BOP will not repair personal glasses. Glasses will not be allowed to be sent from home. The BOP will furnish prescription eyeglasses with a current prescription in the medical file. You are entitled to one pair of eyeglasses per year. If you misplace or damage the eyeglasses within the one year period, a \$20.00 fee will be imposed for replacement.

### **Contact Lenses**

Contact lenses may be prescribed only when, in the clinical judgment of the optometrist with the concurrence of the Clinical Director and Health Services Administrator (HSA), an eye-refractive error is best treated with contact lenses. Inmates arriving at SCP Thomson with contact lenses not previously approved by a BOP provider will be allowed to retain them pending further eye examination by the BOP optometrist. If not medically necessary, the inmate will be prescribed eyeglasses and the contact lenses will be mailed home once the eyeglasses are received.

**On-the-job Injuries**

You are required to report all injuries to your detail supervisor. The Health Services Department will examine and treat all inmate injuries, work and non-work related. Health Services will complete an Inmate Injury Assessment and Follow-up Report. The detail supervisor will complete an Inmate Injury Report. All associated documentation will be sent to the Environmental and Safety Compliance Department (ESCD), and an inmate injury investigation may be initiated.

The purpose of inmate injury investigation is to find the cause of the injury not to assign blame. Failure to participate in an injury investigation may result in an incident report.

Inmates who suffered a physical impairment due to a work related injury are to request from the ESCD an Inmate Claim for Compensation on Account of Work Injury form no more than 45 days prior to the date of an inmate's release, but no less than 15 days prior to release.

**A & O Physical Examination**

If you are newly committed to the Bureau of Prisons, you will receive a complete physical examination within 14 calendar days of your arrival to the institution. This examination includes a complete physical, various screening tests and immunizations.

A dental screening examination will be completed within 30 days of arrival. Inmates may be placed on a routine dental cleaning list by submitting an Inmate Request to Staff Member to the Dental Clinic.

Inmates transferring from other Federal institutions will have their medical record reviewed for any required medical testing or examinations. HIV and Hepatitis C testing will be offered to each newly committed inmate upon arrival. BOP policy requires you to sign a refusal if you decline to be tested for HIV.

Inmates who have a chronic medical condition and are enrolled in a Chronic Care Clinic will be assessed by the Physician within 14 days of arrival for a re-evaluation of your medical condition and medication needs.

You may request, through an Inmate Request to Staff Member form, a complete physical examination similar to the new commitment examination every two years or yearly if you are over 50 years old. If you are being released from the Bureau of Prisons, you may receive a physical examination, on request, if you have not received one in the last year. You should send your request at least two months before your scheduled release date to allow time for the appointment to be scheduled.

**Preventative Health Care**

The Preventative Health Care Clinic is being offered to inmates to promote healthy living: prevent disease, provide screening for infectious diseases, cancer and chronic diseases and to update immunizations. If you are interested in participating in the clinic, you may request a Preventative Health Care appointment by submitting your request to Health Services via an Inmate Request to Staff form.



**Testing for Communicable Diseases**

There are several diseases which can potentially be spread in a prison environment. Three of the more serious diseases are Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) which causes AIDS, Hepatitis B and C and Tuberculosis (TB).

The viruses that cause chronic infection, such as HIV and Hepatitis B and C can only be passed from an infected person to another by providing a means for a small quantity of their blood or semen to come into contact with your blood stream.

This means that it is likely you will develop one of these diseases if you participate in high-risk behaviors with an infected person.

This high-risk activity includes sexual contact, sharing needles, syringes, or other drug paraphernalia, tattooing and body piercing.

Inmates may request a screening for infectious diseases, whether or not you have been involved in high-risk behavior at any time, through an Inmate Request to Staff Member form or during a clinical encounter with a medical provider.

Tuberculosis is usually spread through the air when inhaling the mist from someone with the disease who has sneezed or coughed. We test each inmate arriving at the institution for this disease. If you think you may have been exposed to someone in the past with tuberculosis, you should inform us.

**Administrative Concerns/Grievances**

You may seek a review of issues related to health service fees through the Bureau's Administrative Remedy Program (see 28 CFR part 542).

If you have concerns or questions of an administrative nature concerning Health Services, you may address them, in writing via an Inmate Request to Staff Member (cop-out), or discuss them with the HSA or designee during mainline. If you are unable to resolve your issue, you may pursue your complaint through the Formal Administrative Remedy process. You have a right to necessary medical and dental care.

However, if a treatment and/or care plan has been recommended, you may choose to refuse the treatment. You will be expected to sign a refusal form which will be placed in your medical record.

**Living Wills**

Inmates are entitled to a Living Will, otherwise known as an Advance Directive. This is a legal document by which a patient expresses his/her health care wishes in the event of a terminal or irreversible condition, during which that individual is no longer able to communicate such wishes to the health care provider due to incapacitation.

If you want to have a Living Will, the criteria and procedures are as follows:

1. Obtain a copy of the Illinois statute pertaining to Living Wills.
2. Contact family and/or legal counsel to have the document prepared.
3. When the inmate has received a copy of the legal final document, he must make an appointment with the Clinical Director for a review of the document and discussion of his legal request. A copy will be placed in the inmate's medical record.

At no time will any Staff Member assist an inmate in preparing a Living Will. If an inmate has questions concerning a Living Will, he will be directed to the Health Services Administrator.

In the absence of a Living Will or Advanced Directive, the Bureau of Prisons will ensure life-sustaining measures such as Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation, ventilators and other life support mechanics are provided.

Removal from life support will require court action either by the Bureau of Prisons or the affected inmate's family.

### **Patient's Rights and Responsibilities**

See Attachment A.

### **MAIL ROOM, RECEIVING AND DISCHARGE (R&D) AND RECORDS OFFICE**

The Correctional Systems Department (CSD) consists of the Mail Room, Receiving and Discharge and the Records Office.

CSD Open House Hours	
Monday-Friday (except holidays)	11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Subject to change based on day of bus, work call hours	
CMC mainline during noon-meal	

### **Mail Operations**

**Outgoing mail at the SCP may not be sealed.** All outgoing inmate mail will be picked up Monday through Friday and delivered to the Mail Room for processing. You must print your full name, register number and the institution's return address on all outgoing mail as follows:

Committed Name/Register Number  
Thomson Federal Prison Camp  
Post Office Box 1002  
Thomson, Illinois 61285

If this information is not on your letters, they will be returned to you. All incoming mail for the inmate population must be received through the United States Post Office. This includes all letters, mail and packages. You are not allowed to correspond with inmates confined at other federal institutions without prior written approval by the Unit Manager of each inmate at each facility. Correspondence with inmates confined in non-federal institutions requires prior written approval by the Warden at each facility. Outgoing legal mail may be sealed but needs to be taken to CSD during open house hours for the item to be sent out.

### **Correspondence**

In most cases, inmates are permitted to correspond with the public, family members and others without prior approval. Outgoing mail from AUSP Thomson may be read and inspected by Correctional Services staff. Inmates will be responsible for the contents of all of their letters. Correspondence containing threats, extortion, etc., may result in prosecution for violation of Federal laws.

Inmates may be placed on restricted correspondence status based on misconduct or as a result of classification. The inmate is notified of this placement and has the opportunity to respond. Mail service to inmates is ordinarily provided on a five-day schedule, Monday through Friday. Usually, weekend and holiday mail services are not provided.

### **Incoming Correspondence**

First class mail is distributed Monday through Friday (except holidays) by the evening watch Correctional Officer in each living unit.

Legal and Special Mail will be distributed by Unit staff and opened in the presence of the inmate. Inmates are asked to advise those writing to them to put the inmate's registration number and Housing Unit on the envelope to aid the prompt delivery of mail.

All inmate packages must have prior authorization unless otherwise approved under BOP policy.

### **Incoming Publications**

The BOP permits inmates to subscribe to and receive publications without prior approval as described in Program Statement 5266.11. The term publication means a book, booklet, pamphlet, or similar document, or a single issue of a magazine, periodical, newsletter, newspaper, plus such other materials addressed to a specific inmate, such as advertising brochures, flyers, and catalogs. An inmate may only receive hard cover publications and newspapers from the publisher, a book club, or a bookstore. At minimum and low security institutions, an inmate may receive softcover publications (other than newspapers) from any source. At medium, high, and administrative institutions, an inmate may receive softcover publications only from the publisher, a book club, or a bookstore.

### **Special Mail**

Special Mail is a category of correspondence sent to the following: President and Vice President of the United States, the U.S. Department of Justice (including the BOP), U.S. Attorneys Offices, Surgeon General, U.S. Public Health Service, Secretary of the Army, Navy, or Air Force, U.S. Courts (including U.S. Probation Officers), Members of the U.S. Congress, Embassies and Consulates, Governors, State Attorneys General, Prosecuting Attorneys, Directors of State Departments of Corrections, State Parole Commissioners, State Legislators, State Courts, State Probation Officers, other Federal and State law enforcement offices, attorneys, and representatives of the news media.

Special mail also includes correspondence received from the following: President and Vice President of the United States, attorneys, Members of the U.S. Congress, Embassies and Consulates, the U.S. Department of Justice (excluding the Bureau of Prisons but including U.S. Attorneys), other Federal law enforcement officers, State Attorneys General, Prosecuting Attorneys, Governors, U.S. Courts (including U.S. Probation Officers), and State Courts.

A designated staff member opens incoming Special Mail in the presence of the inmate. These items will be checked for physical contraband, funds, and for qualification as Special Mail; the correspondence will not be read or copied if the sender has adequately identified himself/herself on the envelope and the front of the envelope clearly indicates that the correspondence is “Special Mail – Open only in the presence of the inmate” or with similar language. Without adequate identification as Special Mail, the staff may treat the mail as general correspondence. In this case, the mail may be opened, read, and inspected.

### **Inmate Correspondence with Representatives of the News Media**

An inmate may write, following Special Mail procedures, to representatives of the news media when specified by name and title. The inmate may not receive compensation or anything of value for correspondence with the news media. The inmate may not act as a reporter, publish under a byline, or conduct a business or profession while in BOP custody.

Representatives of the news media may initiate correspondence with an inmate. Correspondence from a representative of the news media will be opened, inspected for contraband, for qualification as media correspondence, and for content which is likely to promote either illegal activity or conduct contrary to BOP regulations.

### **Correspondence between Confined Inmates**

An inmate may be permitted to correspond with an inmate confined in another penal or correctional institution. This is permitted if the other inmate is either a member of the immediate family (mother, father, sister, child, or spouse), or party in a current legal action (or a witness) in which both parties are involved. The Unit Manager at each institution must approve the correspondence if both inmates are housed in Federal institutions.

### **Rejection of Correspondence**

The Warden may reject general correspondence sent by or to an inmate if it is determined to be detrimental to the security, good order, or discipline of the institution, to the protection of the public, or if it might facilitate criminal activity.

**Notification of Rejection**

The Associate Warden of Programs will give written notice to the sender concerning the rejection of mail and the reasons for rejection. The sender of the rejected correspondence may appeal the rejection. The inmate may also be notified of the rejection of correspondence and the reasons for it. The inmate also has the right to appeal the rejection. The Warden shall refer the appeal to a designated officer other than the one who originally disapproved the correspondence. Rejected correspondence ordinarily will be returned to the sender.

**Change of Address/Forwarding of Mail**

Mail Room staff will make available to an inmate who is being released or transferred a change of address form. General correspondence (as opposed to special mail) will be forwarded to the new address for 30 days. After 30 days, general correspondence is returned to sender with the notation "Not at this address – return to sender." Staff will use all practical means to forward special mail. After 30 days, the SENTRY address will be used to forward special mail.

**Certified/Registered Mail**

Inmates may use certified, registered, or insured mail services. Other mail services such as stamp collecting, express mail, cash on delivery (COD), and private carriers are not provided.

**Telephones**

Telephone privileges are a supplemental means of maintaining community and family ties. Telephones are to be used for lawful purposes only.

Threats, extortion, etc. may result in prosecution. All inmate telephones are subject to monitoring and recording. Inmates must contact a member of the unit team to arrange an unmonitored attorney call.

While policy specifically allows inmates to make one call every three months, there is no specific limit on the number of phone calls that an inmate may make. It is expected that each inmate will handle his calls in such a manner that will allow the equal use of the phones by all inmates. Calls are limited to fifteen (15) minutes in duration.

Each inmate is allowed 300 minutes of calling time per month, unless on telephone restriction. Telephones will not be used to conduct a business.

Inmates are allowed to have thirty (30) approved numbers on their phone list. In order to use the system, you will have to transfer funds from your commissary account to your individual telephone account. There are telephones located in each housing unit for your use. No third party, credit card calls, 1-800, 1-900, 1-888, or 1-976 can be made on these lines. Collect calls can also be made to pre-approved telephone numbers.

Inmates will be given their SECRET PAC (nine digits) number by your Correctional Counselor. This will allow you to place a call by first entering the telephone number followed by your nine digit PAC number. Giving or selling your PAC number will result in disciplinary action.

All calls are automatically terminated after fifteen (15) minutes. A waiting period may be established between calls.

It is each inmate's responsibility to maintain their PAC in a way to ensure no other inmate has access to it. Inmates found to be sharing their telephone account with other inmates will result in disciplinary action taken with all inmates involved. Third part telephone contact will also result in disciplinary action. This could include, but is not limited to three way calls, call forwarding, the use of two or more telephones to communicate, and/or ANY circumstance in which the party called establishes third party telephone contact.

## **LEGAL SERVICES**

### **Legal Correspondence**

Legal correspondence from attorneys will be treated as Special Mail if it is adequately marked.

The envelope must be marked with the **attorney's name** and an indication that he/she is an attorney and the front of the envelope must be marked as "**Special Mail - open only in the presence of the inmate**" or with similar language clearly indicating the particular correspondence qualifies as legal mail and the attorney is requesting the correspondence be opened only in the inmate's presence. It is the responsibility of the inmate to advise his/her attorney of these requirements. If legal mail is not adequately marked, it may be opened as general correspondence.

### **Attorney Visits**

Attorneys are encouraged to visit during regular visiting hours, by advance appointment. However, visits from an attorney can be arranged at other times based on the circumstances of each case and the availability of staff.

Attorney visits will be subject to visual monitoring, but not audio monitoring. The unit team will make arrangements for attorney visits.

### **Legal Material**

During attorney visits, a reasonable amount of legal materials may be allowed in the visiting area, with prior approval. Legal material may be transferred, but is subject to inspection for contraband. Inmates are expected to handle the transfer of legal materials through the mail as often as possible.

### **Attorney Phone Calls**

In order to make an unmonitored phone call with an attorney, the inmate must demonstrate to the Unit Team the need, such as an imminent court deadline. Inmates are responsible for the expense of unmonitored attorney telephone calls. When possible, it is preferred that inmates place an unmonitored, collect legal call. Phone calls placed through the regular inmate phones are subject to monitoring.

### **Law Library**

Inmates are afforded access to legal materials and an opportunity to prepare legal documents in the Electronic Law Libraries (ELL). Resources are available for inmates to prepare legal material via Trust Fund.

**Notary Public**

Under the provisions of 18 USC 4004, Case Managers are authorized to notarize documents. A recent change in the law allows that a statement to the effect that, documents signed by an inmate are true and correct under penalty of perjury, will suffice in Federal courts and other Federal agencies, unless specifically directed to do otherwise. Some states will not accept a government notarization for real estate transactions, automobile sales, etc. In these cases, it will be necessary to contact unit staff for arrangements with the institution's notary public.

**Copies of Legal Material**

Inmates may copy material necessary for their research or legal matters. A copying machine is available in the Education Department library for inmate use for a nominal fee. Individuals who have no funds and who can demonstrate a clear need for particular copies may submit a written request for a reasonable amount of free duplication through the unit team.

**Federal Tort Claims**

If the negligence of institution staff results in personal injury or property loss or damage to an inmate, it can be the basis of a claim under the Federal Tort Claims Act. To file such a claim, inmates must complete a Standard Form 95. Inmates may obtain this form by submitting an Inmate Request to Staff Member through their Correctional Counselor.

**Freedom of Information/Privacy Act of 1974**

The Privacy Act of 1974 forbids the release of information from agency records without a written request, or without the prior written consent of the individual to whom the record pertained, except for specific instances. All formal requests for access to records about another person and/or agency record other than those pertaining to themselves shall be processed through the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 USC 552. Requests may be made in writing to the FOIA Branch, Central Office, 320 First St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20534.

**Inmate Access to Central Files and Other Documents**

An inmate may request to view his/her central file (minus the FOIA section) under the supervision of his/her Case Manager by submitting a cop-out to the Unit Team.

An inmate does not need to submit a FOIA Act Request to the Director of the BOP unless the information requested is in the FOIA Exempt section. Likewise, an inmate wishing to review his/her medical file should send a request to Health Services. An inmate can request access to the non-disclosable documents in his central file and medical file, or other documents concerning himself that are not in his central file or medical file, by submitting a Freedom of Information Act Request to the Director of the BOP, Attention: FOI Request. A request on the behalf of an inmate by an attorney, for records concerning that inmate, will be treated as a Privacy Act Request if the attorney has forwarded an inmate's written consent to disclose materials. If a document is deemed to contain information exempt from disclosure, any reasonable part of the record will be provided to the attorney after the deletion of the exempt portions.

**Executive Clemency**

The BOP advises all inmates that the President of the United States is authorized under the Constitution to grant executive clemency by pardon, commutation of sentence, or reprieve. A pardon is an executive act of grace that is a symbol of forgiveness. It does not connote innocence nor does it expunge the record of conviction. A pardon restores civil rights and facilitates the restoration of professional and other licenses that may have been lost by reason of the conviction. Other forms of executive clemency include commutation of sentence (reduction of sentence imposed after a conviction), and a reprieve (the suspension of execution of a sentence for a period of time). Inmates should contact their assigned Case Manager for additional information regarding this program.

**Commutation of Sentence**

The BOP also advises inmates on commutation of sentences. Commutation of sentence is usually the last chance to correct an injustice which has occurred in the criminal justice process. Inmates applying for commutation of sentence must do so on form **Petition for Commutation of Sentence** available from the assigned unit team. The rules governing these petitions are available in the Law Library.

**Pardon**

A pardon may not be applied for until the expiration of at least five (5) years from the date of release from confinement. In some cases involving crimes of a serious nature, such as violation of Narcotics Laws, Gun Control Laws, Income Tax Laws, Perjury, and violation of public trust involving personal dishonesty, fraud involving substantial sums of money, violations involving organized crime, or crimes of a serious nature, a waiting period of seven years is usually required.

**Compassionate Release/Reduction in Sentence**

The Director of the Bureau of Prisons may motion an inmate's sentencing court for Reduction In Sentence (RIS) for an inmate presenting extraordinary and compelling circumstances.

See 18 U.S.C. § 3582 and Program Statement on *Compassionate Release/Reduction in Sentence* (P5050.49). The BOP may consider both medical and non-medical circumstances. The BOP consults with the U.S. Attorney's Office that prosecuted the inmate and will notify any victims of the inmate's current offense.

If the RIS is granted, the judge will issue an order for the inmate's release and he or she will then usually begin serving the previously imposed term of supervised release.

If an inmate's RIS request is denied, the inmate will be provided a statement of reasons for the denial. The inmate may appeal a denial through the Administrative Remedy Procedure. Denials by the General Counsel or the Director are final agency decisions and are not appealable. Inmates who feel their request is of an emergency nature (e.g., a terminal medical condition) may state as such in accordance with the regulation. (See 28 CFR part 542, subpart B).



## **PROBLEM RESOLUTION**

### **Administrative Remedy Process**

The BOP emphasizes and encourages the resolution of complaints. The first step of the Administrative Remedy process is to attempt an **Informal Resolution**, utilizing the appropriate Informal Resolution form (See the Administrative Remedy, TOM-1330.18).

When an informal resolution is not successful, an inmate can access the Administrative Remedy Program. All Administrative Remedy forms may be obtained from your assigned Correctional Counselor or Unit Team member.

If the issue cannot be informally resolved, a formal complaint may be filed with a Request for Administrative Remedy (formerly BP-229), commonly referred to as a BP-9. The inmate may place a single complaint or related issues on the form. If the form contains multiple unrelated issues, the submission will be rejected.

The inmate will return the completed BP-9 to the Correctional Counselor, who will deliver it to the Administrative Remedy Coordinator (BP-9 will be rejected unless processed through staff). The BP-9 complaint must be filed within twenty (20) calendar days from the date on which the basis for the incident or complaint occurred, unless it was not feasible to file within that period of time which should be documented in the complaint. Institution staff has twenty (20) calendar days to act on the complaint and to provide a written response to the inmate. This time limit for the response may be extended for an additional twenty (20) calendar days. The inmate will be notified of the extension.

If the inmate is not satisfied with the Warden's response to the BP-9, he may file an appeal to the Regional Director. This appeal must be received in the Regional Office within twenty (20) calendar days from the date of the BP-9 response.

The regional appeal is filed on a Regional Administrative Remedy Appeal (form BP-230), commonly referred to as a BP-10, and must include the appropriate number of copies of the BP-9 form, the Warden's response, and any exhibits. The regional appeal must be answered within thirty (30) calendar days, but the time limit may be extended an additional thirty (30) days. The inmate will be notified of the extension.

If the inmate is not satisfied with the Regional Director's response, he may appeal to the General Counsel in the Central Office. The national appeal must be made on the Central Office Administrative Remedy Appeal (form BP-231), commonly referred to as a BP-11, and must have the appropriate number of copies of the BP-9, BP-10, both responses, and any exhibits.

The national appeal must be answered within forty (40) calendar days, but the time limit may be extended an additional twenty (20) days. The inmate will be notified of the extension.

When filing a Request for Administrative Remedy or an Appeal (BP-9, BP-10, or BP-11), the form should contain the following information:

- Statement of Facts
- Grounds for Relief
- Relief Requested

### **Sensitive Complaints**

If an inmate believes a complaint is of a sensitive nature and he would be adversely affected if the complaint became known to the institution, he may file the complaint directly to the Regional Director. The inmate must explain, in writing, the reason for not filing the complaint with the institution.

If the Regional Director agrees the complaint is sensitive, it shall be accepted and a response to the complaint will be processed. If the Regional Director does not agree the complaint is sensitive, the inmate will be advised in writing of that determination and the complaint will be returned. The inmate may then pursue the matter by filing a BP-9 at the institution.

### **General Information**

When a complaint is determined to be of an emergency and threatens the inmate's immediate health or welfare, the reply must be made as soon as possible, usually within seventy-two (72) hours from the receipt of the complaint.

For detailed instructions see Program Statement 1330.16, Administrative Remedy Program.

## **DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES**

Inappropriate sexual behavior towards staff and other inmates will not be tolerated. Inappropriate sexual behavior is defined as verbal or physical conduct perceived as a sexual proposal, act, or threat. Examples of inappropriate inmate sexual behavior include: displaying sexually explicit materials; making sexually suggestive jokes, comments, proposals, and gestures; and engaging in stalking, indecent exposure, masturbation, or physical contact. Inmates who engage in this type of behavior will be disciplined and sanctioned accordingly, through the inmate discipline process.

### **Discipline**

The inmate discipline program helps ensure the safety, security, and orderly operation for all inmates. Violations of BOP rules and regulations are handled by the Unit Discipline Committee (UDC) and, for more serious violations, the Disciplinary Hearing Officer (DHO). Upon arrival at an institution, inmates are advised of the rules and regulations and are provided with copies of the Prohibited Acts and Available Sanctions, as well as local regulations.

### **Inmate Discipline Information**

When a staff member witnesses or reasonably believes an inmate has committed a prohibited act, a staff member will issue an incident report, a written copy of the charges against an inmate.

The incident report will ordinarily be delivered to the inmate within 24 hours of the time staff became aware of the inmate's involvement in the incident.

If the incident is referred for prosecution, the incident report is delivered by the end of the next work day after it has been released for administrative processing. An informal resolution of the incident may be attempted at any stage of the discipline process. If an informal resolution is accomplished, the incident report will be removed from the inmate's central file. Informal resolution is encouraged for all violations in the Moderate and Low severity categories. Staff may suspend disciplinary proceedings up to two calendar weeks while informal resolution is undertaken. If an informal resolution is not accomplished, staff will reinstate the discipline process at the stage at which they were suspended. Violations in the Greatest and High severity categories cannot be informally resolved and must be forwarded to the DHO for final disposition.

### **Initial Hearing**

Inmates will ordinarily be given an initial hearing within five (5) work days after the incident report is issued, excluding the day it was issued, weekends, and holidays.

The Warden must approve, in writing, the any extension over five (5) days. The inmate is entitled to be present at the initial hearing and may make statements and present documentary evidence. The UDC must give its decision in writing to the inmate by the close of the next work day. The UDC may make findings on Moderate and Low severity offenses.

The UDC will automatically refer Greatest and High severity offenses to the DHO for final disposition.

### **Discipline Hearing Officer (DHO)**

The Discipline Hearing Officer (DHO) conducts disciplinary hearings on all Greatest and High severity prohibited acts and other violations referred by the UDC at the Moderate and Low severity levels. The DHO may not hear any case not referred by the UDC. An inmate will be provided with advance written notice of the charge(s) not less than 24 hours before the inmate's appearance before the DHO. Inmates may waive this requirement. Inmates may appear before the DHO either in person or electronically (for example, by video or telephone conferencing). The Warden provides a full-time staff member to represent an inmate, if requested. An inmate may make statements and present documentary evidence on his or her behalf. The inmate may request witnesses appear at the DHO hearing to provide statements. The DHO will call witnesses who have information directly relevant to the charge(s) and are reasonably available.

The DHO will request a statement from all unavailable witnesses whose testimony is deemed relevant. Inmates may not question a witness at the hearing; however, the staff representative and/or the DHO will question the witness (es). An inmate may submit a list of questions for the witness(es) to the DHO if there is no staff representative.

An inmate has the right to be present throughout the DHO hearing, except during deliberations. The inmate charged may be excluded during appearances of outside witnesses or when institution security may be jeopardized.

The DHO may postpone or continue a hearing for good cause or disposition when the case does not warrant DHO involvement, or may refer an incident report back for further investigation or review. The DHO will give the inmate a written copy of the decision and disposition, ordinarily within 15 days of the decision.

**Appeals of Disciplinary Actions**

Appeals of all disciplinary actions may be made through the Administrative Remedy Program. The initial reviewing official for the UDC is the Warden.

The decision of the DHO is final and subject to review only by the Regional Director through the Administrative Remedy program. Appeals are made to the Regional Director (BP-230) and the General Counsel (BP-231). On appeal, the reviewing authority (Warden, Regional Director, or General Counsel) considers:

- Whether the UDC or DHO substantially complied with regulations on inmate discipline.
- Whether the UDC or DHO based its decision on facts. If there is conflicting evidence, whether the decision was based on the greater weight of the evidence.
- Whether an appropriate sanction was imposed for the severity level of the prohibited act, and other relevant circumstances.

**Special Housing Unit Status**

Special Housing Units (SHUs) are housing units in BOP institutions where inmates are securely separated from the general inmate population, and may be housed either alone or with other inmates. SHU helps ensure the safety, security, and orderly operation of correctional facilities, and protect the public by providing alternative housing assignments for inmates removed from the general population.

When placed in the SHU, you are either in administrative detention (A/D) status or disciplinary segregation (D/S) status.

Administrative detention (A/D) status: A/D is an administrative status which removes you from the general population when necessary to ensure the safety, security, and orderly operation of correctional facilities, or protect the public. Administrative detention status is non-punitive, and can occur for a variety of reasons.

You may be placed in A/D status for the following reasons:

- Pending Classification or Reclassification: You are a new commitment pending classification or under review for Reclassification. This includes newly arrived inmates from the bus, airlift, and U. S. Marshals Service.
- Holdover Status: You are in holdover status during transfer to a designated institution or other destination.
- Removal from general population: Your presence in the general population poses a threat to life, property, self, staff, other inmates, the public, or to the security or orderly running of the institution and:
- Investigation: You are under investigation or awaiting a hearing for possibly violating a Bureau regulation or criminal law;
- Transfer: You are pending transfer to another institution;
- Protection cases: You requested, or staff determined, you require administrative detention status for your own protection; or
- Post-disciplinary detention: You are ending confinement in disciplinary segregation status, and your return to the general population would threaten the safety, security, and orderly operation of a correctional facility, or public safety.

When placed in A/D status, you will receive a copy of the administrative detention order, ordinarily within 24 hours, detailing the reason(s) for your placement. However, when placed in A/D status pending classification or while in holdover status, you will not receive an administrative detention order.

In A/D status you are ordinarily allowed a reasonable amount of personal property and reasonable access to the commissary.

Disciplinary Segregation (D/S) status: D/S is a punitive status imposed only by a Discipline Hearing Officer (DHO) as a sanction for committing a prohibited act(s). When you are placed in D/S status, as a sanction for violating BOP regulations, you will be informed by the DHO at the end of your discipline hearing.

In D/S status, your personal property will be impounded, with the exception of limited reading/writing materials and religious articles. Your commissary privileges may also be limited.

In either status, your amount of personal property may be limited for reasons of fire safety or sanitation. The Warden may modify the quantity and type of personal property allowed. Personal property may be limited or withheld for reasons of security, fire safety, or housekeeping. The unauthorized use of any authorized item may result in the restriction of the item. If there are numerous misuses of an authorized item, the Warden may determine that the item will not be issued in the SHU.

Program staff, including unit staff, will arrange to visit inmates in a SHU within a reasonable time after receiving the inmate's request. A Health Services staff member will visit you daily to provide necessary medical care. While in SHU, you may continue taking your prescribed medications. In addition, after every 30 calendar days of continuous placement in either A/D or D/S status, a Mental Health staff will examine and interview you.

## **RELEASE**

### **Sentence Computation**

The Designation and Sentence Computation Center (DSCC), located in Grand Prairie, Texas, is responsible for the computation of inmate sentences. Once staff at the DSCC have certified the sentence computation as being accurate, staff will provide the inmate with a copy of his or her sentence computation data. Any questions concerning good time, jail time credit, parole eligibility dates, full term dates, or release dates are resolved by staff upon inmate request for clarification.

### **Fines and Costs**

In addition to jail time, the court may impose committed or non-committed fines and/or costs. Committed fines mean that the inmate will remain in prison until the fine is paid, makes arrangements to pay the fine, or qualifies for release under the provisions of Title 18 USC, Section 3569 (Discharge of indigent prisoner). Non-committed fines have no condition of imprisonment based on payment of fines or costs. Payments for a non-committed fine or cost are not required for release from prison or transfer to a contract residential reentry center.

### **Detainers**

Case management staff may give assistance to offenders in their efforts to have detainers against them disposed of, either by having the charges dropped, by restoration to probation or parole status, or by arrangement for concurrent service of the state sentence. The degree to which the staff can assist in such matters as these will depend on individual circumstances.

The Interstate Agreement on Detainers Act (IADA) allows for the disposition of untried charges, indictments, information, or complaints that have been lodged as a detainer by party states. The United States of America, the District of Columbia, and any U.S. state or territory that has codified the IADA into its statutes have been identified as party states. The states of Mississippi and Louisiana, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the territories have not joined the IADA .

### **Good Conduct Good Time**

This applies to inmates sentenced for an offense committed on or after November 1, 1987, under the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984 (SRA), the Violent Crime Control Law Enforcement Act (VCCLEA), or Prison Litigation Reform Act (PLRA).

The SRA became law on November 1, 1987. The two most significant changes made to sentencing statutes concern good time and parole issues. There are no provisions for parole under the SRA. The only good time available under the SRA is 54 days of Good Conduct Time (GCT) for each year served on the sentence.

No GCT is applied to life terms, or to sentences of 1 year or less. Good time is not awarded under the SRA until the end of each year served on the sentence, and may be awarded in part or in whole, contingent upon behavior during the year. Once awarded, GCT earned under the SRA is vested, and may not be forfeited at a later time.

For inmates convicted under the VCCLEA, for offenses committed from September 13, 1994, through April 25, 1996, the 54 days of GCT earned for each year served on the sentence will not vest if an inmate does not have a high school diploma or a GED, and the inmate is not making satisfactory progress toward earning a GED. Unsatisfactory progress is determined by the institution Education Department.

For inmates sentenced under the PLRA, for offenses committed on or after April 26, 1996, the GCT earned for time spent in service of the sentence does not vest. In addition, if an inmate does not have a high school diploma or a GED, and the inmate is not making satisfactory progress toward earning a GED, only 42 days of GCT will be earned for each year in the service of the sentence. Unsatisfactory progress is determined by the institution Education Department.

The amount of GCT an inmate is eligible to receive is based on the amount of time served on the sentence, not the length of the sentence. This calculation method has been upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court.

**THE GOOD TIME DISCUSSIONS BELOW DO NOT APPLY TO INMATES SENTENCED UNDER THE NEW SENTENCING GUIDELINES.**

**Good Time**

Good Time awarded by the BOP under statutes enacted prior to November 1, 1987, has the effect of reducing the stated term of the sentence that is, it advances the date when release will be mandatory if the offender is not paroled at an earlier date. The award of Good Time does not in itself advance the offender's release date. It has that effect only if the offender would not otherwise be paroled before the mandatory date.

**Statutory Good Time**

Under 18 U.S. Code 4161, an offender sentenced to a definite term of six months or more is entitled a deduction from his term, computed as follows, if the offender has faithfully observed the rules of the institution and has not been disciplined:

Not greater than one year - 5 days for each month of the not less than six months or more than one year sentence.

More than 1 year, less than 3 years - 6 days for each month of the stated sentence.

At least 3 years, less than 5 years - 7 days for each month of the stated sentence.

At least 5 years, less than 10 years - 8 days for each month of the stated sentence.

10 years or more - 10 days for each month of the stated sentence.

At the beginning of a prisoner's sentence, the full amount of statutory good time is credited, subject to forfeiture if the prisoner commits disciplinary infractions.

**THE FOLLOWING APPLIES ONLY TO INMATES SENTENCED FOR AN OFFENSE COMMITTED PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 1, 1987.**

**Extra Good Time**

The Bureau of Prisons awards extra good time credit for performing exceptionally meritorious service, performing duties of outstanding importance, or for employment in an Industry or Camp. An inmate may earn only one type of good time award at a time (e.g., an inmate earning industrial or Camp good time is not eligible for meritorious good time), except that a lump sum award may be given in addition to another extra good time award. Neither the Warden nor the DHO may forfeit or withhold extra good time.

The Warden may disallow or terminate the awarding of any type of Extra Good Time (except for lump sum awards), but only in a non-disciplinary context and only upon recommendation of staff. The DHO may disallow or terminate the awarding of any type of Extra Good Time, (except lump sum awards) as a disciplinary sanction. Once an awarding of meritorious good time has been terminated, the Warden must approve a new staff recommendation in order for the award to recommence. A disallowance means that an inmate does not receive an Extra Good Time award for only one calendar month.

A disallowance must be for the entire amount of extra good time for that calendar month. There may be no partial disallowance. A decision to disallow or terminate extra good time may not be suspended pending future consideration. A retroactive award of meritorious good time may not include a month in which Extra Good Time has been disallowed or terminated.

**Parole**

Parole is release from incarceration under conditions established by the U.S. Parole Commission. Parole is not a pardon or an act of clemency. A parolee remains under the supervision of a U.S. Probation Officer until the expiration of his full term.

Federal inmates sentenced prior to 1987 are ordinarily permitted an opportunity to appear before the Parole Commission within 120 days of commitment (EXEMPTIONS: inmates sentenced before September 6, 1977 and inmates with a minimum parole eligibility of ten years). Inmates sentenced in the District of Columbia Superior Court who are eligible for parole will normally receive a parole hearing 180 days prior to their parole eligibility date. If the inmate chooses not to appear before the Parole Board for the initial hearing, a waiver must be given to the Case Manager prior to the time of the scheduled parole hearing. This waiver will be made part of the Parole Commission file and the inmate's central file.

All inmates who previously waived a parole hearing are eligible to appear before the Parole Board at any regularly scheduled hearing after they waive. Application for a parole hearing must be made at least 60 days before the first day of the month of the hearings. The Parole Board conducts hearings at most Bureau institutions every two months.

Applications, to the Parole Commission for a hearing, are the responsibility of the inmate, but in certain cases the Unit Team will assist the inmate if necessary. Application forms may be obtained from the Case Manager.



Following the hearing, the inmate will be advised of the tentative decision reached in the case by the hearing examiners. The recommendations of the hearing examiner must be confirmed by the Regional Office of the Parole Board. This confirmation usually takes three to four weeks and is made through the mail on a form called a Notice of Action. Federal inmates may appeal a decision made the Parole Commission by obtaining the appropriate forms from the Case Manager.

Inmates with a District of Columbia Superior Court case cannot appeal a decision made by the Parole Commission. If granted a presumptive parole date ( a parole date more than six months following the hearing), a parole progress report will be sent to the Parole Board three to six months before the parole date.

Parole may be granted to a detainer or for the purpose of deportation. The inmate should have an approved residence and an approved employer before being released on parole.

### **Residential Reentry Center Placement**

Inmates who are nearing release, and who need assistance in obtaining a job, residence or other community resources, may be referred for placement at a Residential Reentry Center (RRC).

The Residential Reentry Management Regional Administrator supervises services provided to offenders housed in contract facilities and participating in specialized programs in the community. The Residential Reentry Manager (RRM) links the BOP with the U.S. Courts, other Federal agencies, State and local governments, and the community. Located strategically throughout the country, the RRM is responsible for developing and maintaining a variety of contract facilities and programs, working under the supervision of the appropriate regional administrator. Community programs have two major emphases: residential community-based programs provided by RRCs and programs that provide intensive nonresidential supervision to offenders in the community.

### **Community-Based Residential Programs**

The community-based residential programs available include both typical RRCs and work release programs provided by local detention facilities. The RRCs provide a suitable residence, structured programs, job placement and counseling while monitoring the offender's activities. They also provide drug testing and counseling, and alcohol monitoring and treatment. While in these programs, employed offenders are required to pay subsistence to help defray the cost of their confinement. The inmate's payment rate during RRC residence is 25 percent of the inmate's gross income.

Most BOP community-based residential programs are provided in RRCs. These facilities contract with the BOP to provide residential correctional programs near the offender's home community. RRCs are used primarily for three types of offenders:

- Those nearing release from a BOP institution, as a transitional service while the offender is finding a job, locating a place to live, and reestablishing family ties.
- Those under community supervision who need guidance and supportive services beyond what can be provided through regular supervision by U.S. Probation.
- Those serving short sentences of imprisonment and terms of community confinement.

Each RRC now provides two components within one facility, a prerelease component and a community corrections component. The prerelease component assists offenders making the transition from an institutional setting to the community, or as a resource while under supervision. The community corrections component is more restrictive.

Except for employment and other required activities, the offenders are required to remain at the RRC, where recreation, visiting, and other activities are provided in-house.

The other option for community-based residential programming is local detention facilities. Some local jails and detention centers are used to confine offenders serving short sentences. Many have work release programs where an offender is employed in the community during the day and returns to the institution at night. These facilities may also be used for offenders sentenced to terms of intermittent confinement such as nights, weekends, or other short intervals. Some of these local facilities have work release programs similar to the community corrections component in a RRC, serving to facilitate the transition from the institution to the community.

### **The Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act**

The Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act (Pub.L. 109-248) was signed into law on July 27, 2006. The legislation organizes sex offenders into 3 tiers, and mandates that Tier 3 offenders update their whereabouts every 3 months. It makes failure to register and update information a felony. It also creates a national sex offender registry and instructs each state and territory to apply identical criteria for posting offender data on the Internet (i.e., offender's name, address, date of birth, place of employment, photograph, etc.).

### **Conclusion**

Hopefully this information will assist inmates during their incarceration and help clarify any concerns they may encounter. New commitments should feel free to ask any staff member for assistance, particularly unit staff. For individuals who are not yet in custody, and who have been given this publication to prepare for commitment, the BOP's RRM or the staff at the institution to which they have been designated can help clarify any other concerns.

## INMATE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

### RIGHTS

1. You have the right to expect that you will be treated in a respectful, impartial, and fair in the same manner.
2. You have the right to be informed of the rules, procedures, and schedules concerning the operation of the institution.
3. You have the right to freedom of religious affiliation, and voluntary religious worship.
4. You have the right to health care, which includes nutritious meals, proper bedding and clothing, and a laundry schedule for cleanliness of the same, an opportunity to shower regularly, proper ventilation for warmth and fresh air, a regular exercise period, toilet articles and medical and dental treatment.
5. You have the right to visit and correspond with family members, and friends, and correspond with members of the news media in accordance with Bureau rules and institution guidelines.

### RESPONSIBILITIES

1. You are responsible for treating inmates and staff manner by all staff
2. You have the responsibility to know and abide by them.
3. You have the responsibility to recognize and respect the rights of others in this regard.
4. It is your responsibility not to waste food, to follow the laundry and shower schedule, maintain neat and clean living quarters, to keep your area free of contraband, and to seek medical and dental care as you may need it.
5. It is your responsibility to conduct yourself properly during visits. You will not engage in inappropriate conduct during visits to include sexual Acts and introduction of contraband, and not to violate the law or Bureau guidelines through correspondence.

**RIGHTS**

6. You have the right to unrestricted and confidential access to the courts by correspondence (on matters such as the legality of your conviction, civil matters, pending criminal cases, and conditions of your imprisonment.)
7. You have the right to legal counsel from an attorney of your choice by interviews and correspondence.
8. You have the right to participate in the use of law library reference materials to assist you in resolving legal problems. You also have the right to receive help when it is available through a legal assistance program.
9. You have the right to a wide range of reading materials for materials for educational purposes and for your own enjoyment. These materials may include magazines and newspapers sent from the community, with certain restrictions.
10. You have the right to participate in education, vocational training and employment as far as resources are available, and in keeping with your interests, needs, and abilities.

**RESPONSIBILITIES**

6. You have the responsibility to present honestly and fairly your petitions, questions, and problems to the court.
7. It is your responsibility to use the services of an attorney honestly and fairly.
8. It is your responsibility to use these resources in keeping with the procedures and schedule prescribed and to respect the rights of other inmates to the use of the materials and assistance.
9. It is your responsibility to seek and utilize such materials for your personal benefit, without depriving others of their equal rights to the use of this material.
10. You have the responsibility to take advantage of activities which may help you live a successful and law-abiding life within the institution and in the community. You will be expected to abide by the regulations governing the use of such activities.

11. You have the right to use your funds for commissary and other purchases, consistent with institution security and good order, for opening bank and/or savings accounts, and for assisting your family, in accordance with Bureau rules.
11. You have the responsibility to meet your financial and legal obligations, including, but not limited to, DHO and court imposed assessments, fines, and restitution. You also have the responsibility to make use of your funds in a manner consistent with your release plans, your family needs, and for other obligations that you may have.

**PROHIBITED ACTS AND AVAILABLE SANCTIONS****GREATEST SEVERITY LEVEL PROHIBITED ACTS**

- 100 Killing.
- 101 Assaulting any person, or an armed assault on the institution's secure perimeter (a charge for assaulting any person at this level is to be used only when serious physical injury has been attempted or accomplished).
- 102 Escape from escort; escape from any secure or non-secure institution, including community confinement; escape from unescorted community program or activity; escape from outside a secure institution.
- 103 Setting a fire (charged with this act in this category only when found to pose a threat to life or a threat of serious bodily harm or in furtherance of a prohibited act of Greatest Severity, *e.g.*, in furtherance of a riot or escape; otherwise the charge is properly classified Code 218, or 329).
- 104 Possession, manufacture, or introduction of a gun, firearm, weapon, sharpened instrument, knife, dangerous chemical, explosive, ammunition, or any instrument used as a weapon.
- 105 Rioting.
- 106 Encouraging others to riot.
- 107 Taking hostage(s).
- 108 Possession, manufacture, introduction, or loss of a hazardous tool (tools most likely to be used in an escape or escape attempt or to serve as weapons capable of doing serious bodily harm to others; or those hazardous to institutional security or personal safety; *e.g.*, hacksaw blade, body armor, maps, handmade rope, or other escape paraphernalia, portable telephone, pager, or other electronic device).
- 109 (Not to be used).
- 110 Refusing to provide a urine sample; refusing to breathe into a Breathalyzer; refusing to take part in other drug-abuse testing.
- 111 Introduction or making of any narcotics, marijuana, drugs, alcohol, intoxicants, or related paraphernalia, not prescribed for the individual by the medical staff.
- 112 Use of any narcotics, marijuana, drugs, alcohol, intoxicants, or related paraphernalia, not prescribed for the individual by the medical staff.

- 113 Possession of any narcotics, marijuana, drugs, alcohol, intoxicants, or related paraphernalia, not prescribed for the individual by the medical staff.
- 114 Sexual assault of any person, involving non-consensual touching by force or threat of force.
- 115 Destroying and/or disposing of any item during a search or attempt to search.
- 196 Use of the mail for an illegal purpose or to commit or further a Greatest category prohibited act.
- 197 Use of the telephone for an illegal purpose or to commit or further a Greatest category prohibited act.
- 198 Interfering with a staff member in the performance of duties most like another Greatest severity prohibited act. This charge is to be used only when another charge of Greatest severity is not accurate. The offending conduct must be charged as “most like” one of the listed Greatest severity prohibited acts.
- 199 Conduct which disrupts or interferes with the security or orderly running of the institution or the Bureau of Prisons most like another Greatest severity prohibited act. This charge is to be used only when another charge of Greatest severity is not accurate. The offending conduct must be charged as “most like” one of the listed Greatest severity prohibited acts.

#### AVAILABLE SANCTIONS FOR GREATEST SEVERITY LEVEL PROHIBITED ACTS

- A. Recommend parole date rescission or retardation.
- B. Forfeit and/or withhold earned statutory good time or non-vested good conduct time (up to 100%) and/or terminate or disallow extra good time (an extra good time or good conduct time sanction may not be suspended).
  - B.1. Disallow ordinarily between 50% and 75% (27-41 days) of good conduct time credit available for year (a good conduct time sanction may not be suspended).
- C. Disciplinary segregation (up to 12 months).
- D. Make monetary restitution.
- E. Monetary fine.
- F. Loss of privileges (*e.g.*, visiting, telephone, commissary, movies, recreation).
- G. Change housing (quarters).

- H. Remove from program and/or group activity.
- I. Loss of job.
- J. Impound inmate's personal property.
- K. Confiscate contraband.
- L. Restrict to quarters.
- M. Extra duty.

#### HIGH SEVERITY LEVEL PROHIBITED ACTS

- 200 Escape from a work detail, non-secure institution, or other non-secure confinement, including community confinement, with subsequent voluntary return to Bureau of Prisons custody within four hours.
- 201 Fighting with another person.
- 202 (Not to be used).
- 203 Threatening another with bodily harm or any other offense.
- 204 Extortion; blackmail; protection; demanding or receiving money or anything of value in return for protection against others, to avoid bodily harm, or under threat of informing.
- 205 Engaging in sexual acts.
- 206 Making sexual proposals or threats to another.
- 207 Wearing a disguise or a mask.
- 208 Possession of any unauthorized locking device, or lock pick, or tampering with or blocking any lock device (includes keys), or destroying, altering, interfering with, improperly using, or damaging any security device, mechanism, or procedure.
- 209 Adulteration of any food or drink.
- 210 (Not to be used).
- 211 Possessing any officer's or staff clothing.
- 212 Engaging in or encouraging a group demonstration.
- 213 Encouraging others to refuse to work, or to participate in a work stoppage.



- 214 (Not to be used).
- 215 (Not to be used).
- 216 Giving or offering an official or staff member a bribe, or anything of value.
- 217 Giving money to, or receiving money from, any person for the purpose of introducing contraband or any other illegal or prohibited purpose.
- 218 Destroying, altering, or damaging government property, or the property of another person, having a value in excess of \$100.00, or destroying, altering, damaging life-safety devices (e.g., fire alarm) regardless of financial value.
- 219 Stealing; theft (including data obtained through the unauthorized use of a communications device, or through unauthorized access to disks, tapes, or computer printouts or other automated equipment on which data is stored).
- 220 Demonstrating, practicing, or using martial arts, boxing (except for use of a punching bag), wrestling, or other forms of physical encounter, or military exercises or drill (except for drill authorized by staff).
- 221 Being in an unauthorized area with a person of the opposite sex without staff permission.
- 222 (Not to be used).
- 223 (Not to be used).
- 224 Assaulting any person (a charge at this level is used when less serious physical injury or contact has been attempted or accomplished by an inmate).
- 225 Stalking another person through repeated behavior which harasses, alarms, or annoys the person, after having been previously warned to stop such conduct.
- 226 Possession of stolen property.
- 227 Refusing to participate in a required physical test or examination unrelated to testing for drug abuse (e.g., DNA, HIV, tuberculosis).
- 228 Tattooing or self-mutilation.
- 229 Sexual assault of any person, involving non-consensual touching without force or threat of force.

- 296 Use of the mail for abuses other than criminal activity which circumvent mail monitoring procedures (e.g., use of the mail to commit or further a High category prohibited act, special mail abuse; writing letters in code; directing others to send, sending, or receiving a letter or mail through unauthorized means; sending mail for other inmates without authorization; sending correspondence to a specific address with directions or intent to have the correspondence sent to an unauthorized person; and using a fictitious return address in an attempt to send or receive unauthorized correspondence).
- 297 Use of the telephone for abuses other than illegal activity which circumvent the ability of staff to monitor frequency of telephone use, content of the call, or the number called; or to commit or further a High category prohibited act.
- 298 Interfering with a staff member in the performance of duties most like another High severity prohibited act. This charge is to be used only when another charge of High severity is not accurate. The offending conduct must be charged as “most like” one of the listed High severity prohibited acts.
- 299 Conduct which disrupts or interferes with the security or orderly running of the institution or the Bureau of Prisons most like another High severity prohibited act. This charge is to be used only when another charge of High severity is not accurate. The offending conduct must be charged as “most like” one of the listed High severity prohibited acts.

#### AVAILABLE SANCTIONS FOR HIGH SEVERITY LEVEL PROHIBITED ACTS

- A. Recommend parole date rescission or retardation.
- B. Forfeit and/or withhold earned statutory good time or non-vested good conduct time up to 50% or up to 60 days, whichever is less, and/or terminate or disallow extra good time (an extra good time or good conduct time sanction may not be suspended).
- B.1 Disallow ordinarily between 25% and 50% (14-27 days) of good conduct time credit available for year (a good conduct time sanction may not be suspended).
- C. Disciplinary segregation (up to 6 months).
- D. Make monetary restitution.
- E. Monetary fine.
- F. Loss of privileges (*e.g.*, visiting, telephone, commissary, movies, recreation).
- G. Change housing (quarters).
- H. Remove from program and/or group activity.
- I. Loss of job.

- J. Impound inmate's personal property.
- K. Confiscate contraband.
- L. Restrict to quarters.
- M. Extra duty.

MODERATE SEVERITY LEVEL PROHIBITED ACTS

- 300 Indecent Exposure.
- 301 (Not to be used).
- 302 Misuse of authorized medication.
- 303 Possession of money or currency, unless specifically authorized, or in excess of the amount authorized.
- 304 Loaning of property or anything of value for profit or increased return.
- 305 Possession of anything not authorized for retention or receipt by the inmate, and not issued to him through regular channels.
- 306 Refusing to work or to accept a program assignment.
- 307 Refusing to obey an order of any staff member (may be categorized and charged in terms of greater severity, according to the nature of the order being disobeyed, *e.g.* failure to obey an order which furthers a riot would be charged as 105, Rioting; refusing to obey an order which furthers a fight would be charged as 201, Fighting; refusing to provide a urine sample when ordered as part of a drug-abuse test would be charged as 110).
- 308 Violating a condition of a furlough.
- 309 Violating a condition of a community program.
- 310 Unexcused absence from work or any program assignment.
- 311 Failing to perform work as instructed by the supervisor.
- 312 Insolence towards a staff member.
- 313 Lying or providing a false statement to a staff member.

- 314 Counterfeiting, forging, or unauthorized reproduction of any document, article of identification, money, security, or official paper (may be categorized in terms of greater severity according to the nature of the item being reproduced, *e.g.*, counterfeiting release papers to effect escape, Code 102).
- 315 Participating in an unauthorized meeting or gathering.
- 316 Being in an unauthorized area without staff authorization.
- 317 Failure to follow safety or sanitation regulations (including safety regulations, chemical instructions, tools, MSDS sheets, OSHA standards).
- 318 Using any equipment or machinery without staff authorization.
- 319 Using any equipment or machinery contrary to instructions or posted safety standards.
- 320 Failing to stand count.
- 321 Interfering with the taking of count.
- 322 (Not to be used).
- 323 (Not to be used).
- 324 Gambling.
- 325 Preparing or conducting a gambling pool.
- 326 Possession of gambling paraphernalia.
- 327 Unauthorized contacts with the public.
- 328 Giving money or anything of value to, or accepting money or anything of value from, another inmate or any other person without staff authorization.
- 329 Destroying, altering, or damaging government property, or the property of another person, having a value of \$100.00 or less.
- 330 Being unsanitary or untidy; failing to keep one's person or quarters in accordance with posted standards.

- 331 Possession, manufacture, introduction, or loss of a non-hazardous tool, equipment, supplies, or other non-hazardous contraband (tools not likely to be used in an escape or escape attempt, or to serve as a weapon capable of doing serious bodily harm to others, or not hazardous to institutional security or personal safety) (other non-hazardous contraband includes such items as food, cosmetics, cleaning supplies, smoking apparatus and tobacco in any form where prohibited, and unauthorized nutritional/dietary supplements).
- 332 Smoking where prohibited.
- 333 Fraudulent or deceptive completion of a skills test (*e.g.*, cheating on a GED, or other educational or vocational skills test).
- 334 Conducting a business; conducting or directing an investment transaction without staff authorization.
- 335 Communicating gang affiliation; participating in gang related activities; possession of paraphernalia indicating gang affiliation.
- 336 Circulating a petition.
- 396 Use of the mail for abuses other than criminal activity which do not circumvent mail monitoring; or use of the mail to commit or further a Moderate category prohibited act.
- 397 Use of the telephone for abuses other than illegal activity which do not circumvent the ability of staff to monitor frequency of telephone use, content of the call, or the number called; or to commit or further a Moderate category prohibited act.
- 398 Interfering with a staff member in the performance of duties most like another Moderate severity prohibited act. This charge is to be used only when another charge of Moderate severity is not accurate. The offending conduct must be charged as “most like” one of the listed Moderate severity prohibited acts.
- 399 Conduct which disrupts or interferes with the security or orderly running of the institution or the Bureau of Prisons most like another Moderate severity prohibited act. This charge is to be used only when another charge of Moderate severity is not accurate. The offending conduct must be charged as “most like” one of the listed Moderate severity prohibited acts.

**AVAILABLE SANCTIONS FOR MODERATE SEVERITY LEVEL PROHIBITED ACTS**

- A. Recommend parole date rescission or retardation.
- B. Forfeit and/or withhold earned statutory good time or non-vested good conduct time up to 25% or up to 30 days, whichever is less, and/or terminate or disallow extra good time (an extra good time or good conduct time sanction may not be suspended).
- B.1 Disallow ordinarily up to 25% (1-14 days) of good conduct time credit available for year (a good conduct time sanction may not be suspended).
- C. Disciplinary segregation (up to 3 months).
- D. Make monetary restitution.
- E. Monetary fine.
- F. Loss of privileges (*e.g.*, visiting, telephone, commissary, movies, recreation).
- G. Change housing (quarters).
- H. Remove from program and/or group activity.
- I. Loss of job.
- J. Impound inmate's personal property.
- K. Confiscate contraband.
- L. Restrict to quarters.
- M. Extra duty.

**LOW SEVERITY LEVEL PROHIBITED ACTS**

- 400 (Not to be used).
- 401 (Not to be used).
- 402 Malingering, feigning illness.
- 403 (Not to be used).
- 404 Using abusive or obscene language.
- 405 (Not to be used).

- 406 (Not to be used).
- 407 Conduct with a visitor in violation of Bureau regulations.
- 408 (Not to be used).
- 409 Unauthorized physical contact (e.g., kissing, embracing).
- 498 Interfering with a staff member in the performance of duties most like another Low severity prohibited act. This charge is to be used only when another charge of Low severity is not accurate. The offending conduct must be charged as “most like” one of the listed Low severity prohibited acts.
- 499 Conduct which disrupts or interferes with the security or orderly running of the institution or the Bureau of Prisons most like another Low severity prohibited act. This charge is to be used only when another charge of Low severity is not accurate. The offending conduct must be charged as “most like” one of the listed Low severity prohibited acts.

#### AVAILABLE SANCTIONS FOR LOW SEVERITY LEVEL PROHIBITED ACTS

- B.1 Disallow ordinarily up to 12.5% (1-7 days) of good conduct time credit available for year (to be used only where inmate found to have committed a second violation of the same prohibited act within 6 months); Disallow ordinarily up to 25% (1-14 days) of good conduct time credit available for year (to be used only where inmate found to have committed a third violation of the same prohibited act within 6 months) (a good conduct time sanction may not be suspended).
- C. Make monetary restitution.
- D. Monetary fine.
- E. Loss of privileges (e.g., visiting, telephone, commissary, movies, recreation).
- F. Change housing (quarters).
- G. Remove from program and/or group activity.
- H. Loss of job.
- I. Impound inmate’s personal property.
- J. Confiscate contraband
- K. Restrict to quarters.
- L. Extra duty.

**Table 2. ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE SANCTIONS FOR REPEATED PROHIBITED ACTS WITHIN THE SAME SEVERITY LEVEL**

Prohibited Act Severity Level	Time Period for Prior Offense (same code)	Frequency of Repeated Offense	Additional Available Sanctions
Low Severity (400 level)	6 months	2 <sup>nd</sup> offense  3 <sup>rd</sup> or more offense	1. Disciplinary segregation (up to 1 month). 2. Forfeit earned SGT or non-vested GCT up to 10% or up to 15 days, whichever is less, and/or terminate or disallow extra good time (EGT) (an EGT sanction may not be suspended).  Any available Moderate severity level sanction (300 series).
Moderate Severity (300 level)	12 months	2 <sup>nd</sup> offense  3 <sup>rd</sup> or more offense	1. Disciplinary segregation (up to 6 months). 2. Forfeit earned SGT or non-vested GCT up to 37 1/2% or up to 45 days, whichever is less, and/or terminate or disallow EGT (an EGT sanction may not be suspended).  Any available High severity level sanction (200 series).
High Severity (200 level)	18 months	2 <sup>nd</sup> offense  3 <sup>rd</sup> or more offense	1. Disciplinary segregation (up to 12 months). 2. Forfeit earned SGT or non-vested GCT up to 75% or up to 90 days, whichever is less, and/or terminate or disallow EGT (an EGT sanction may not be suspended).  Any available Greatest severity level sanction (100 series).
Greatest Severity (100 level)	24 months	2 <sup>nd</sup> or more offense	Disciplinary Segregation (up to 18 months).



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**Sexually Abusive Behavior  
Prevention and Intervention**

An Overview for Offenders

**You Have the Right to be Safe from Sexually Abusive Behavior**

The Federal Bureau of Prisons has a zero tolerance policy against sexual abuse and sexual harassment. While you are incarcerated, **no one has the right to pressure you to engage in sexual acts.**

You do not have to tolerate sexually abusive/harassing behavior or pressure to engage in unwanted sexual behavior from another inmate or a staff member. Regardless of your age, size, race, ethnicity, gender or sexual orientation, you have the right to be safe from sexually abusive behavior.

**What Can You Do To Prevent Sexually Abusive Behavior?**

Here are some things you can do to protect yourself and others against sexually abusive behavior:

- Carry yourself in a confident manner at all times. Do not permit your emotion (fear/anxiety) to be obvious to others.
- Do not accept gifts or favors from others. Most gifts or favors come with strings attached to them.
- Do not accept an offer from another inmate to be your protector.
- Find a staff member with whom you feel comfortable discussing your fears and concerns.
- Be alert! Do not use contraband substances such as drugs or alcohol; these can weaken your ability to stay alert and make good judgments.
- Be direct and firm if others ask you to do something you don't want to do. Do not give mixed messages to other inmates regarding your wishes for sexual activity.
- Stay in well-lit areas of the institution.
- Choose your associates wisely. Look for people who are involved in positive activities like educational programs, psychology groups, or religious services. Get involved in these activities.
- Trust your instincts. If you sense that a situation may be dangerous, it probably is. If you fear for your safety, report your concerns to staff.

**What Can You Do if You Are Afraid or Feel Threatened?**

If you are afraid or feel you are being threatened or pressured to engage in sexual behaviors, you should discuss your concerns with staff. Because this can be a difficult topic to discuss, some staff, like psychologists, are specially trained to help you deal with problems in this area.

If you feel immediately threatened, approach any staff member and ask for assistance. It is part of his/her job to ensure your safety. If it is a staff member that is threatening you, report your concerns immediately to another staff member that you trust, or follow the procedures for making a confidential report.

### **What Can You Do if You Are Sexually Assaulted?**

If you become a victim of a sexually abusive behavior, **you should report it immediately to staff** who will offer you protection from the assailant. You do not have to name the inmate(s) or staff assailant(s) in order to receive assistance, but specific information may make it easier for staff to know how best to respond.

You will continue to receive protection from the assailant, whether or not you have identified him or her (or agree to testify against him/her).

After reporting any sexual assault, you will be referred immediately for a medical examination and clinical assessment. Even though you may want to clean up after the assault **it is important to see medical staff BEFORE you shower, wash, drink, eat, change clothing, or use the bathroom.** Medical staff will examine you for injuries which may or may not be readily apparent to you. They can also check you for sexually transmitted diseases, pregnancy, if appropriate, and gather any physical evidence of assault. The individuals who sexually abuse or assault inmates can only be disciplined and/or prosecuted if the abuse is reported. **Regardless of whether your assailant is an inmate or a staff member, it is important to understand that you will never be disciplined or prosecuted for being the victim of a sexual assault.**

### **How to Report an Incident of Sexually Abusive Behavior?**

It is important that you **tell a staff member if you have been sexually assaulted or have been a victim of sexual harassment.** It is equally important to inform staff if you have witnessed sexually abusive behavior. You can tell your case manager, Chaplain, Psychologist, SIS, the Warden or any other staff member you trust. BOP staff members are instructed to keep reported information confidential and only discuss it with the appropriate officials on a need to know basis concerning the inmate-victim's welfare and for law enforcement or investigative purposes. There are other means to confidentiality report sexually abusive behavior if you are not comfortable talking with staff.

- **Write directly to the Warden, Regional Director or Director.** You can send the Warden an Inmate Request to Staff Member (Cop-out) or a letter reporting the sexually abusive behavior. You may also send a letter to the Regional Director or Director of the Bureau of Prisons. To ensure confidentiality, use special mail procedures.
- **File an Administrative Remedy.** You can file a Request for Administrative Remedy (BP-9). If you determine your complaint is too sensitive to file with the Warden, you have the opportunity to file your administrative remedy directly with the Regional Director (BP-10). You can get the forms from your counselor or other unit staff. Clearly mark "Emergency" on the BP-9 (10), and explain, in writing, the reason for filing as an emergency administrative remedy.
- **Write the Office of the Inspector General (OIG)** which investigates allegations of staff misconduct by employees of the U.S. Department of Justice; all other sexual abuse/harassment allegations will be forwarded by the OIG to the BOP. OIG is a component of the Department of Justice and is not a part of the Bureau of Prisons. The address is:

**Office of the Inspector General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Investigations Division  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
Room 4706  
Washington, D.C. 20530**

**E-mail OIG.** You can send an e-mail directly to OIG by clicking on the TRULINCS Request to Staff tab and selecting the Department Mailbox titled, DOJ Sexual Abuse Reporting. This method of reporting is processed by OIG during normal business hours, Monday – Friday. It is not a 24-hour hotline. For immediate assistance, contact institution staff.

Note: These e-mails:

- are untraceable at the local institution,
- are forwarded directly to OIG
- will not be saved in your e-mail ‘Sent’ list
- do not allow for a reply from OIG,
- If you want to remain anonymous to the BOP, you must request it in the e-mail to OIG.

**Third-party Reporting.** Anyone can report such abuse on your behalf by accessing the BOP’s public website, specifically:

[http://www.bop.gov/inmate\\_programs/sa\\_prevention\\_reporting.jsp](http://www.bop.gov/inmate_programs/sa_prevention_reporting.jsp).

### **Understanding the Investigative Process**

Once the sexually abusive behavior is reported, the BOP and/or other appropriate law enforcement agencies will conduct an investigation. The purpose of the investigation is to determine the nature and scope of the abusive behavior. You may be asked to give a statement during the investigation. If criminal charges are brought, you may be asked to testify during the criminal proceedings.

### **Counseling Programs for Victims of Sexually Abusive Behavior**

Most people need help to recover from the emotional effects of sexually abusive behavior. If you are the victim of sexually abusive behavior, whether recent or in the past, you may seek counseling and/or advice from a psychologist or chaplain. Crisis counseling, coping skills, suicide prevention, mental health counseling, and spiritual counseling are all available to you.

Contact your local Rape Crisis Center (RCC). Currently, SCP Thomson does not have a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with a local RCC. You may seek services through Psychology Services.

### **Management Program for Inmate Assailants**

Those who sexually abuse/assault/harass others while in the custody of the BOP will be disciplined and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. If you are an inmate assailant, you will be referred to Correctional Services for monitoring. You will be referred to Psychology Services for an assessment of risk and treatment and management needs. Treatment compliance or refusal will be documented and decisions regarding your conditions of confinement and release may be effected. If you feel that you need help to keep from engaging in sexually abusive behaviors, psychological services are available.

### **Policy Definitions**

**Prohibited Acts:** Inmates who engage in inappropriate sexual behavior can be charged with following Prohibited Acts under the Inmate Disciplinary Policy (PS 5270.09, PS 5324.12, TOM 5324.11).

**Code 114/(A): Sexual Assault By Force**

**Code 205/(A): Engaging in a Sex Act**

**Code 206/(A): Making a Sexual Proposal**

**Code 221/(A): Being in an Unauthorized Area with a Member of the Opposite Sex**

**Code 229/(A): Sexual Assault Without Force**

**Code 300/(A): Indecent Exposure**

**Code 404/(A): Using Abusive or Obscene Language**

**Staff Misconduct:** The Standards of Employee Conduct prohibit employees from engaging in, or allowing another person to engage in sexual, indecent, profane or abusive language or gestures, and inappropriate visual surveillance of inmates. Influencing, promising or threatening an inmate's safety, custody, privacy, housing, privileges, work detail or program status in exchange for sexual favors is also prohibited.

**What is sexually abusive behavior?** According to federal law (Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003) sexually abusive behavior is defined as:

**Rape:** The carnal knowledge, oral sodomy, or sexual assault with an object or sexual fondling of a person **FORCIBLY** or against that person's will;

The carnal knowledge, oral sodomy, or sexual assault with an object or sexual fondling of a person not forcibly or against the person's will, where the victim is **incapable of giving consent** because of his/her youth or his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity; or

The carnal knowledge, oral sodomy, or sexual assault with an object or sexual fondling of a person achieved through the **exploitation of the fear or threat** of physical violence or bodily injury;

**Carnal Knowledge:** Contact between the penis and vulva or the penis and the anus, including penetration of any sort, however slight;

**Oral Sodomy:** Contact between the mouth and the penis, the mouth and the vulva, or the mouth and the anus;

**Sexual Assault with an Object:** The use of any hand, finger, object, or other instrument to penetrate, however slightly, the genital or anal opening of the body of another person (NOTE: This does NOT apply to custodial or medical personnel engaged in evidence gathering or legitimate medical treatment, nor to health care provider's performing body cavity searches in order to maintain security and safety within the prison).

**Sexual Fondling:** The touching of the private body parts of another person (including the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh, or buttocks) for the purpose of sexual gratification.

**Sexual Harassment:** Repeated and unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or verbal comments, gestures, or actions of a derogatory or offensive sexual nature by one inmate/detainee/resident to another; or repeated verbal comments or gestures of a sexual nature to an inmate/detainee/resident by a staff member/contractor/volunteer, including demeaning references to gender, sexually suggestive, or derogatory comments about body or clothing, or obscene language or gestures.

**Sexual Misconduct** (staff only): The use of indecent sexual language, gestures, or sexually oriented visual surveillance for the purpose of sexual gratification.

An incident is considered **Inmate-on-Inmate Abuse/Assault** when any sexually abusive behavior occurs between two or more inmates. An incident is considered **Staff-on-Inmate Abuse/Assault** when any sexually abusive behavior is initiated by a staff member toward one or more inmates. It is also considered Staff-on-Inmate Abuse/Assault if a staff member willingly engages in sexual acts or contacts that are initiated by an inmate.

**NOTE: Sexual acts or contacts between two or more inmates, even when no objections are raised, are prohibited acts, and may be illegal. Sexual acts or contacts between an inmate and a staff member, even when no objections are raised by either party, are always forbidden and illegal. Inmates who have been sexual assaulted by another inmate or staff member will not be prosecuted or disciplined for reporting the assault. However, inmates will be penalized for knowingly filing any false report.**

**\*\* Please be aware that both male and female staff routinely work and visit inmate housing areas. \*\***

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7338 Shoreline Drive  
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**Third-party reporting (outside of institution):**

[http://www.bop.gov/inmate\\_programs/sa\\_prevention\\_reporting.jsp](http://www.bop.gov/inmate_programs/sa_prevention_reporting.jsp)



## ATTACHMENT A

### Inmate Health Care Rights and Responsibilities

1. You have the right to health care services, based on the local procedures at this institution. Health services include medical and dental sick call and all support services.
  2. You have the right to be offered a "Living Will," or to provide the Bureau of Prisons with "Advance Directives" that would provide the Bureau of Prisons with instructions if you are admitted, as an inpatient, to a hospital in the local community, or the Bureau of Prisons.
  3. You have the right to participate in health promotion and disease prevention programs including education regarding infectious diseases.
  4. You have the right to know the name and professional status of your health care providers.
  5. You have the right to be treated with respect, consideration and dignity.
  6. You have the right to be provided with information regarding your diagnosis, treatment and prognosis.
  7. You have the right to be examined in privacy.
  8. You have the right to obtain copies of certain releasable portions of your health record.
1. You have the responsibility to comply with the health care policies of this institution. You have the responsibility to follow recommended treatment plans that have been established for you by institution health care staff, to include proper use of medications, proper diet and following all health related instructions with which you are provided.
  2. You have the responsibility to provide the Bureau of Prisons with accurate information to complete this agreement.
  3. You have the responsibility to maintain your health and not to endanger yourself, or others, by participating in activity that could result in the spreading or contracting of an infectious disease.
  4. You have the responsibility to respect these providers as professionals and follow their instructions to maintain and improve your overall health.
  5. You have the responsibility to treat staff in the same manner.
  6. You have the responsibility to keep this information confidential.
  7. You have the responsibility to comply with security procedures.
  8. You have the responsibility of being familiar with the current policy to obtain these records.

9. You have the right to address any concern regarding your health care to any member of the institution staff including your physician, the Health Services Administrator, members of your Unit Team and the Warden.

10. You have the right to receive prescribed medications and treatments in a timely manner, consistent with the recommendations of the prescribing health care provider.

11. You have the right to be provided healthy and nutritious food. You have the right to be instructed regarding a healthy choice when selecting your food.

12. You have the right to request a routine physical examination, as often as every two years. If you are over the age of 50, you may request an examination once a year.

13. You have the right to dental care as defined in BOP policy to include preventive services, emergency and routine care.

14. You have the right to a safe, clean and healthy environment, including smoke-free living areas.

15. You have the right to refuse medical treatment in accordance with BOP policy. Refusal of certain diagnostic tests for infectious diseases can result in administrative action against you.

9. You have the responsibility to address your concerns in the accepted format, such as the Inmate Request to Staff Member form, open houses or the accepted Inmate Grievance Procedures.

10. You have the responsibility to comply with prescribed treatments and follow prescription orders. You also have the responsibility not to provide any other person your medication or other prescribed item.

11. You have the responsibility to eat healthy and not abuse or waste food or drink.

12. You have the responsibility to notify medical staff that you wish to have an examination.

13. You have the responsibility to maintain your oral hygiene and health.

14. You have the responsibility to maintain the cleanliness and safety in consideration of others. You have the responsibility to follow smoking regulations.

**General Information**

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**Send Money to:** Committed Name  
Register Number  
Post Office Box 474701  
Des Moines, Iowa 50947-0001

**Western Union:** Inmate Register Number  
Committed Name  
City Code : FBOP  
State Code: DC

[www.westernunion.com](http://www.westernunion.com) (select bill payment, then select quick collect)

1-800-634-3422 (select option 2)

*The only way an inmate can receive money is through the mail and through Western Union.*

**Miscellaneous:** [www.bop.gov](http://www.bop.gov)