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JUDGE: Hon. Kendall J. Newman

14 Plaintiffs,

15 FILING OF EIGHTH COUNTY STATUS
 REPORT PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH
 16 12 OF THE CONSENT DECREE

15 vs.

16 COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

17 Defendant.

18 Paragraph 12 of the Consent Decree in this matter requires the County to provide
 19 Plaintiffs' counsel and the Court appointed subject matter experts with a status report no later
 20 than 180 days from the approval of the proposed decree. In compliance with this requirement,
 21 the County provided the "Eighth Status Report; Mays Consent Decree" on January 12, 2024 to
 22 the subject matter experts and the attorneys monitors from the Prison Law Office and Disability
 23 Rights California. Attached to this filing is that status report.

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**ATTACHMENT 1 -
Correctional Health and Jail
Psychiatric Services Report**



Primary Health Division
Department of Health Services

Adult Correctional Health
REMEDIAL PLAN STATUS REPORT
January 8, 2024

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INTRODUCTION

Background

The Mays Consent Decree was approved by the federal court on January 13, 2020.

- Every 180 days, Sacramento County is required to issue a Remedial Plan Status Report, which is sent to Mays Class Counsel and the court-appointed medical and mental health experts.
- Each expert is expected to complete Remedial Plan Monitoring Reports annually based on document requests, medical chart reviews, and annual site visits to provide feedback and recommendations with the goal of supporting progress toward compliance with the Mays Consent Decree Remedial Plan.

This report covers the period of July 2023 – December 2023. This is the eighth County Remedial Plan Status Report.

Jail Facilities

Sacramento County has two jails – the Main Jail (MJ) located downtown and the Rio Cosumnes Correctional Center (RCCC) located in Elk Grove.

	MJ	RCCC
Year Opened	1989	1960
Location	651 I Street	12500 Bruceville Road
Rated Capacity	2,380	1,625

The Sacramento Sheriff’s Office (SSO) has overall responsibility and management for the jail facilities. Adult Correctional Health (ACH) within Department of Health Services (DHS), Primary Health Division provides the health care services (physical health and behavioral health) through County staff and County contracted staff – working in partnership with SSO.

The jail population has higher average rates of health care needs as compared to the community, including chronic health conditions, serious mental illness (SMI), and substance use disorders (SUD).

Overview

This report covers Adult Correctional Health's overall progress toward meeting Consent Decree requirements, including current status, data or evidence to support current status, and action plans in place to address areas not yet in full compliance.

REMEDIAL PLAN COMPLIANCE DEFINITIONS & RATINGS

Compliance Definitions

SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE: Indicates compliance with most or all components of the relevant provision of the Remedial Plan for both the quantitative (e.g., 90% performance measure) and qualitative (e.g., consistent with the larger purpose of the *Decree*) measures. If an individual compliance measure necessitates either a lower or higher percentage to achieve SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE, it will be noted by the expert. Compliance has been sustained for a period of at least 12 months.

PARTIAL COMPLIANCE: Indicates compliance achieved on some of the components of the relevant provisions of the Remedial Plan, but significant work remains. A minimum requirement is that for each provision, relevant policies and procedures must be compliant with Remedial Plan requirements, contain adequate operational detail for staff to implement the policy, staff are trained, and the County has begun implementation of the policy.

NON-COMPLIANCE: Indicates that most or all of the components of the relevant provision of the Remedial Plan have not yet been addressed and/or have not yet been met.

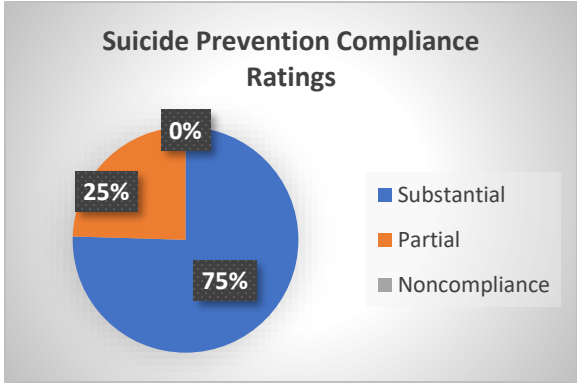
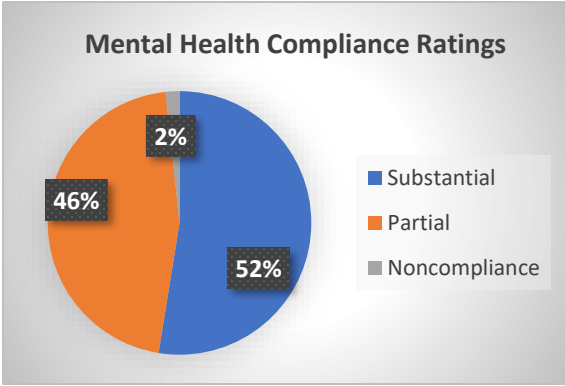
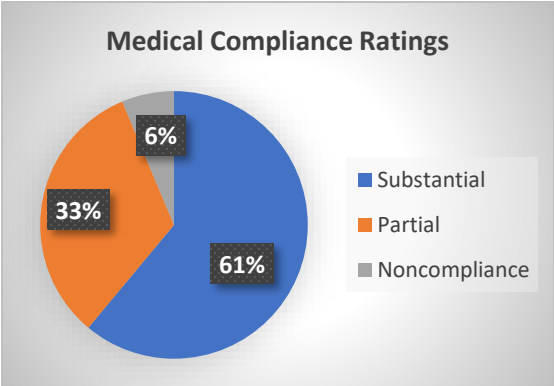
When reviewing each Expert report, there is variability in rating methodology.

- Medical Experts rate each indicator within a provision separately.
- Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Experts rate some indicators as a group and others individually.
- Adult Correctional Health rates each provision but does not rate each indicator.

Remedial Plan Compliance Reports and Ratings Dashboard

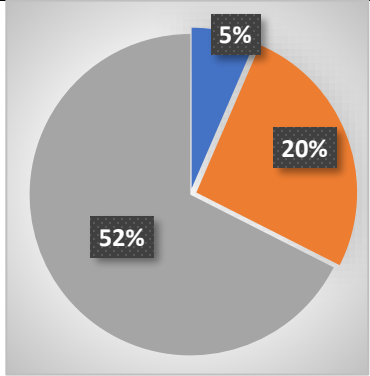
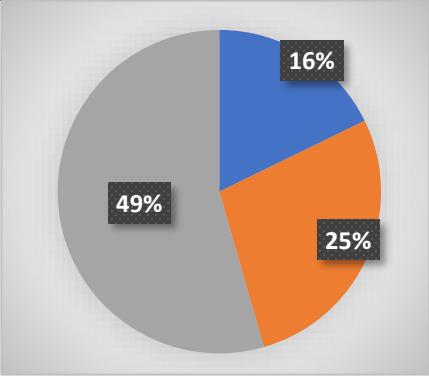
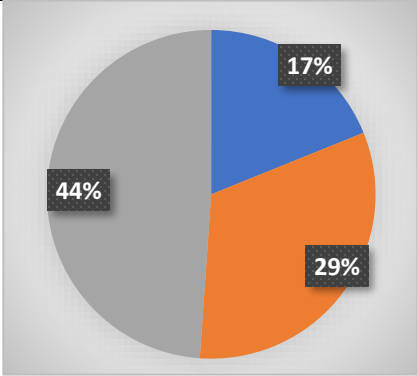
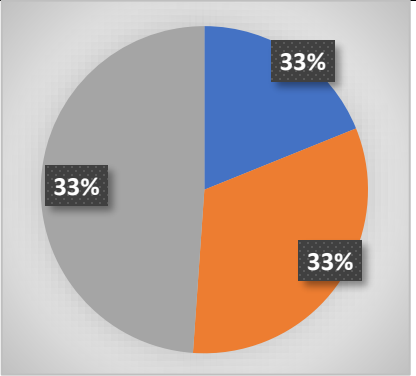
Adult Correctional Health Ratings

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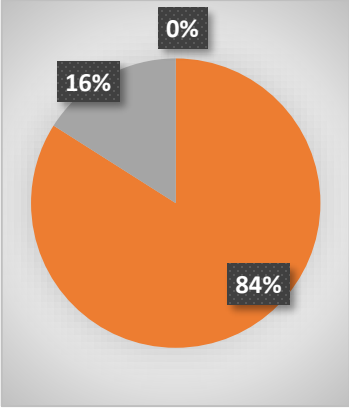
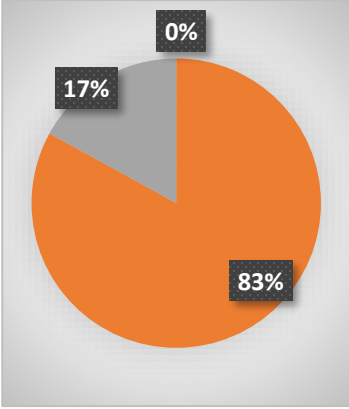
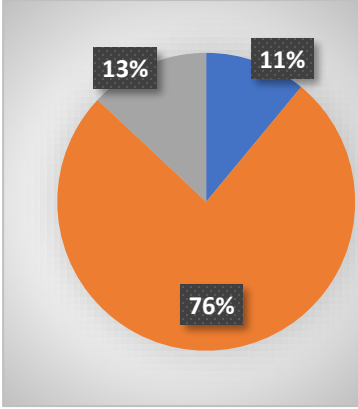
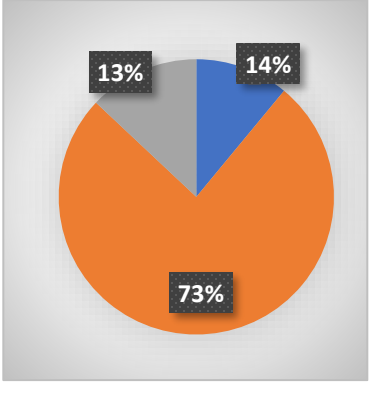
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MEDICAL EXPERT REPORTS & RATINGS

Medical	January 2021 1 st Report	October 2021 2 nd Report	October 2022 3 rd Report	August 2023 4 th Report
Substantial	5%	16%	17%	33%
Partial	20%	25%	29%	33%
Noncompliance	52%	49%	44%	33%
Not Evaluated	23%	9%	9%	0%
				

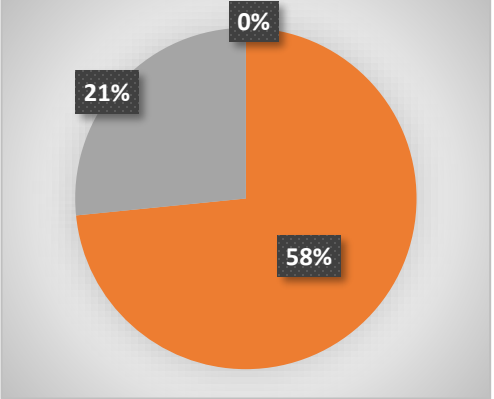
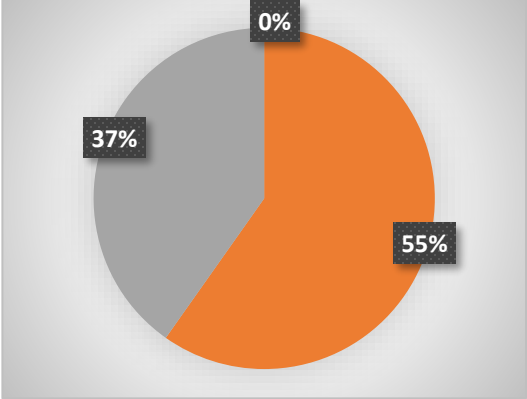
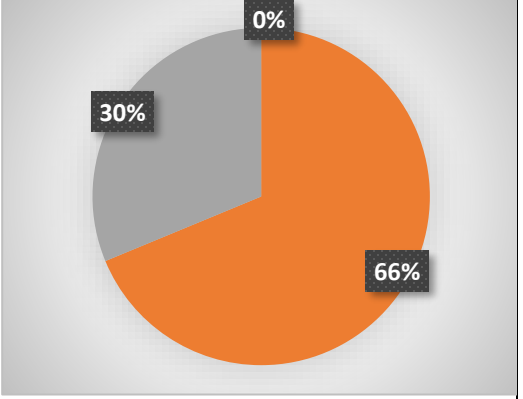
- Medical Experts included a summary table with 75 indicators and rated each indicator within a provision separately. Example: Nurse Intake provision has seven indicators for ratings.
- ACH moved from 5% to **33%** with Substantial Compliance across the four monitoring periods.

SUICIDE PREVENTION REPORTS RATINGS

Suicide Prevention	January 2021 1 st Report	October 2021 2 nd Report	August 2022 3 rd Report	September 2023 4 th Report
Substantial	0%	0%	11%	14%
Partial	84%	83%	76%	73%
Noncompliance	16%	17%	13%	13%
Not Evaluated	0%	0%	0%	0%
				

- Suicide Prevention Expert included a summary table containing 63 provisions. Some indicators are rated as a group. Example: Nurse Intake Provision C. has five indicators but rated as one item.
- ACH moved from **0% to 14%** with **SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE** across the four monitoring periods.

MENTAL HEALTH EXPERT RATINGS

Mental Health	January 2021 1 st Report	October 2021 2 nd Report	April 2023 3 rd Report
Substantial	0%	0%	0%
Partial	58%	55%	66%
Noncompliance	21%	37%	30%
Not Evaluated	21%	8%	3%
			

- *The first Mental Health report indicated a total of 91 provisions; however, listed 35 provision ratings with 3 provisions not assessed. Mental Health Expert stated, “This total was computed by adding major (e.g., IV.B) and substantial sub-major (e.g. IV.A.2) areas of the Remedial Plan.”*
- *The second monitoring report did not include a summary table but contained the 35 rated provisions with 3 provisions not assessed.*
- *The Mental Health Expert submitted an initial third monitoring report in January 2023 and a final version in April 2023.*

ACH REMEDIAL PLAN STATUS REPORTS

ACH Status Reports		
#	Monitoring Period	Date Submitted
1	Jan – Jun 2020	07/10/2020
2	Jul – Dec 2020	01/05/2021
3	Jan – Jun 2021	06/23/2021
4	Jul – Dec 2021	01/14/2022
5	Jan – Jun 2022	06/14/2022
6	July – Jan 2023	01/01/2023
7	Jan 2023 – July 2023	07/01/2023
8	July – December 2023	01/08/2024

EXPERT REMEDIAL PLAN MONITORING REPORT

Medical Expert Reports		
#	Monitoring Period	Date Completed
1	Not Specified	12/16/2020
2	Not Specified	08/27/2021
3	Not Specified	10/25/2022
4	Not Specified	08/1/2023
Suicide Prevention Expert Reports		
#	Monitoring Period	Date Completed

1	Not Specified	01/19/2021
2	Not Specified	09/10/2021
3	Not Specified	08/19/2022
4	Not Specified	09/13/2023
Mental Health Expert Reports		
#	Monitoring Period	Date Completed
1	Not Specified	01/20/2021
2	Not Specified	09/21/2021
3	Not Specified	04/25/2023

POLICY STATUS OVERVIEW

Each policy related to provisions of the Remedial Plan is reviewed by Class Counsel and designated court-appointed Experts. All Experts review policies that apply to all disciplines.

New or updated policies may include significant changes for ACH, including new workflows, development of new forms, electronic health record (EHR) templates, new Quality Improvement (QI) audits and/or reports, etc. Some policies have a phased-in implementation due to the need for sufficient staffing, equipment, or other needs.

ACH has completed new policies and/or policy revisions to address Remedial Plan provisions in all major areas.

- As of December 2023, **44** ACH Medical or Medical/Mental Health joint policies and **21** Mental Health policies have been approved by Class Counsel and/or Subject Matter Experts.
- A snapshot of policy work through December 2023 is depicted in the following tables.
 - Shaded rows are policies still pending review by the experts.

ACH Medical Policies	Total Policies
Finalized	44 (88%)
In Process (Revision/Development)	3 (6%)
Pending Subject Matter/Class Counsel Review	3 (6%)
Total	50 (100%)

ACH Policies includes administration, medical and joint (medical/mental health) policies.

ACH Provider Treatment Guidelines	Total Provider Guidelines
Finalized	1 (25%)
In Process (Revision/Development)	0 (0%)
Pending Medical Expert Review	3 (75%)
Total	4 (100%)

ACH Standardized Nursing Procedures (SNP)	Total SNPs
Finalized	4 (8%)
In Process (Revision/Development)	6 (12%)
Pending Medical Expert Review	42 (80%)
Total	52 (100%)

Note: SNPs describe specific RN actions (RN to manage, requires consult with provider, or emergency stabilization needed) vs. categorization of low, medium and high risk.

ACH Mental Health Policies	Total Policies
Finalized	21 (78%)

In Process (Revision/Development)	2 (7%)
Pending Mental Health Expert Review	4 (15%)
Total	27 (100%)

- **39%** (52 of 133) of policy documents submitted are pending Expert review. See Attachment 1 “Mays Policy Tracking Chart” for additional detail.

REMEDIAL PLAN STATUS UPDATE

II. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Staffing

(Section II; Provisions A. – B.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

II. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- A. The County shall maintain sufficient medical, mental health, and custody staff to meet the requirements of this Remedial Plan.
- B. The parties agree that the custodial and health care staff must be increased to meet minimal constitutional and statutory standards. Presently, there are insufficient deputies to supervise out-of-cell activities for people in the general population and administrative segregation, and to provide security for health-related tasks. The parties agree that reduction in jail population is a cost-effective means to achieve constitutional and statutory standards.
 1. The County intends to hire additional custodial and health care staff. The parties agree that population reduction of the jails will facilitate compliance with this Remedial Plan. All population reduction measures should be designed to promote public safety through evidence-based programs.
 2. If through the monitoring process it is determined that the County is not fulfilling the provisions of this Remedial Plan due to staffing deficiencies, the parties will meet and confer regarding what steps to take to reduce the population of the jail, including available resources to facilitate population reduction.

Policies:

- ACH PP 03-03 Hiring Process Patient Privacy (06/13/19)

Compliance Status by Section:

- II.A. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - County began to add staff and/or contract augmentations prior to the finalization of the Consent Decree (January 2020). Vacancy rates increase as positions are allocated; therefore, monitoring the total FTEs by position allocated in addition to vacancy rates is important to identify and monitor progress.
 - ACH has increased staffing substantially since pre-Consent Decree as outlined below:
 - County ACH Medical staff and Administrative FTEs has increased from 112.5 pre-Consent Decree to a total of **251.5** permanent allocated FTEs current FY.
 - County ACH Mental Health & Administrative staff has increased from **50.3 (FY 17/18)** pre-Consent Decree to a total of **133.8** allocated positions current FY.
 - As of 12/13/23, the total vacancy rate for:
 - ACH Medical and Administrative staff is currently at **19%**
 - ACH Mental Health staff is currently at **25.8%**.

The following tables outline staffing enhancements to date by fiscal year pre-Consent Decree to date:

Medical

Medical Health Care Staffing Augmentation	
Fiscal Year	Staffing
FY 2018/19 (Midyear)	12 FTEs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 FTE Physician • 1 FTE Dentist • 1 FTE Pharmacist • 1 FTE Pharmacy Technician • 4 FTE Registered Nurses (RN) • 4 FTE Licensed Vocational Nurses (LVN)
FY 2019/20	12.0 FTEs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 FTE Quality Improvement (QI) Team – 1 Planner, 1 RN, 2 Administrative Services Officers I • 4 FTE – 2 Physicians, 2 Medical Assistants (MA) • 2 FTE Supervising RNs • 2 FTE Senior Office Assistants (SROA)
FY 2020/21 <i>Budget hearings were delayed until September.</i>	13.0 FTEs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 FTE Physicians (<i>midyear</i>) • 5 FTE Registered Nurses (3 sick call, 1 discharge planning, 1 chronic care) • 1 FTE Medical Assistant • 1 FTE Dental Hygienist (replaces registry staff) • 1 FTE Pharmacist • 1 FTE Pharmacy Technician • 1 FTE Administrative Services Officer III (Electronic Health Record) • 1 FTE Administrative Services Officer II (Contracts)

Medical Health Care Staffing Augmentation	
Fiscal Year	Staffing
FY 2021/22	<p>29.0 FTEs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2.0 FTE Supervising Registered Nurse (Infection Prevention Coordinator to replace behind the RCCC SRN position / Nurse Educator) • 6.0 FTE Registered Nurses (Sick Call – 2, Chronic Care – 3, QI - 1) • 9.0 FTE Licensed Vocational Nurses (Infection Prevention – 2, Pill Call - 2, Pill Call/Medication Assisted Treatment Program – 4, Discharge Planning -1) • 1.0 FTE Medical Assistant (Discharge Planning) • 1.0 FTE Pharmacist (expansion of hours) • 1.0 FTE Pharmacy Technician (expansion of hours) • 6.0 FTE Registered Dental Assistants (replace registry staff) • 1.0 FTE Planner (remedial plan support) • 2.0 FTE Senior Office Assistants (medical records)

Medical Health Care Staffing Augmentation	
Fiscal Year	Staffing
FY 2022/23 <i>Budget Approved 06/09/22</i>	39.0 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11.0 FTE Registered Nurses (includes various needs such as substance use, withdrawal monitoring, chronic care, sick call, intake and discharge planning) • 6.0 FTE Licensed Vocational Nurses for medication administration including Medication Assisted Treatment and services for patients in medical housing. • 8.0 FTE Medical Assistants for discharge planning, infection prevention, assisting medical provider visits, and tracking ADA/durable medical equipment. • 1.0 FTE Office Assistants to assist nursing with phone calls, medical paperwork, and collection of data from nursing/custody. • 1.0 FTE Senior Physician Management will serve under the Medical Director for the RCCC activities. Assists with Medical Director span of control, direct onsite supervision of physicians/nurse practitioners at RCCC and oversight of clinical services. Provides back-up during Medical Director’s absence. • 1.0 FTE Physician 3 for Chronic Care disease management. Provides ongoing care for patients needing ongoing chronic care planning and services. • 1.0 FTE Nurse Practitioner for initial history and physical exams. Must provide the assessment then refer internally for acute care follow-up or ongoing chronic care disease management. • 1.0 FTE Dentist 2 to establish permanent resource and bridge the gap in the expanded operations of the dental clinic at both facilities. • 3.0 FTE Pharmacist and 3.0 FTE Pharmacy Technician to enhance implementation of blister packing medication to meet compliance for “keep on patient” medications and will complete cart fill/pill call preparation in a timely and efficient manner. • 1.0 FTE Health Program Manager, 1.0 FTE Sr. OA and 1.0 FTE Administrative Services Officer 1 for the expansion of administrative services that support the Medical and Mental Health operations.

Medical Health Care Staffing Augmentation	
Fiscal Year	Staffing
FY 2023/24 Budget Approved 6/7/2023	12.0 FTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2.0 FTE RN DCF Lv2 for Nurse Intake and Chronic Care Management at Main Jail. • 1.0 FTE SRN DCF onboarding, training, evaluate and hiring in nursing unit. • 1.0 FTE Health Program Coordinator, supervises MAs(registry/County) and Admin clerical support at the facilities, oversees the admin tasks/operational at MJ and RCCC. • 2.0 FTE Medical Assistants – assist providers, physician, and NP, including labs, ensuring medical supplies are ordered and stocked, monitor and ensure sanitation of exam rooms and medical equipment, report damage medical equipment, track and communicate DMEs, etc. to custody etc. • 2.0 FTE Pharmacist – provide treatment for chronic condition under CPA • 1.0 FTE MH Program Coordinator – clinical contracts and monitoring including MH UCD contract. • 1.0 FTE RN DCF Lv 1 – Case management nurse support 2.0 FTE Sr. OA – admin operations support

- The County has increased positions for Medical staff from **118.5** FTEs in FY 2017/18 to **225.5** FTEs in FY 2023/24.
- The permanent medical positions *do not include* County On-Call, Registry, or contracted onsite Specialty care staff.
- Permanent staff augmentations decrease the need for temporary staff and provide continuity of services, teamwork, and increased stability.
- The FTEs above do not include ACH Administrative staff.

See the following tables for updated County Medical and Administrative vacancies:

Jail Facilities Medical Vacancy Rates			
Vacant Positions as of 12/5/23			
Classification	Vacancies	Background	Vacancy Rate

Medical Assistant Level	5	0	22%
Licensed Vocational Nurse	10	4	24%
Medical Director	1	0	100%
Registered Nurse	19	9	26%
Supervising Registered Nurse	5	0	28%
Physician 3	1	1	0%
Nurse Practitioner	2	0	50%
Pharmacist	2	1	50%
Health Program Coordinator	1	0	100%
Registered Dental Assistant	1	1	17%
Total for Medical	47	16	22%
Administration			
Vacant Positions as of 12/05/23			
Classification	Vacancies	Background	Vacancy Rate
MH Program Coordinator	1	0	100%
HS Program Planner	1	0	50%
Sr. Office Assistant	1	0	10%
Office Assistant Lv 2	3	1	40%
Total for Administration	6	1	15%

Mental Health

Mental health services are provided under a contract with UC Davis Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences. The following charts show contract augmentations to pre-Consent Decree to date:

Mental Health Contract Augmentation		
Fiscal Year	Program Additions	Staff Augmentation
FY 2017/18	20 Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP) Beds (male) – MJ	LCSW Supervisor (1.0) SW1 (4.0) Psychologist II (1.0) Psychiatrist/NP (10%)
FY 2018/19 (Midyear)	24/7 Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) Coverage - MJ	LCSW Supervisor (1) LCSW (4)
FY 2019/20	15 IOP Beds (female) - MJ	LCSW Supervisor (.40) Psychologist II (.20) LCSW (.50) SW 1 (3) NP/Psychiatrist (.40)
	24 IOP Beds (male) - RCCC	LCSW Supervisor (.50) Psychologist II (.20) LCSW (2.0) SWI (2.5) HUSC (1.0)

Mental Health Contract Augmentation		
Fiscal Year	Program Additions	Staff Augmentation
		NP/Psychiatrist (.80)
	24/7 LCSW Coverage - RCCC	LCSW Supervisor (1.0) LCSW (3.0)
FY 2020/21 (Midyear)	Outpatient Mental Health Services was expanded to include mental health services, medication evaluation and monitoring, case management, and discharge planning for the Outpatient Psychiatric Pod (OPP) – adding a new level of service. Will serve approximately 125 patients at any given time.	LCSW Supervisor (1.0) LCSW (2.0) SWI (2.5)
FY 2021/22	Enhanced outpatient (EOP) mental health services in the OPP was expanded to provide services to an additional 150 patients requiring intensive services. This expansion will increase services by 275 patients, creating a total EOP service provision of 400 patients.	LCSW Supervisor (1.0) LCSW (3.0) SWI (8.0) RN (.50)
FY 2021/22 Mid-year Reallocation	Increased Intensive Outpatient Program beds to include 24 male high security/high acuity beds at RCCC and an additional 8 female beds at MJ. Redirected staff from EOP to support expansion of IOP.	LCSW (2.0) MSW (3.0)

Mental Health Contract Augmentation		
Fiscal Year	Program Additions	Staff Augmentation
FY 2022/23 <i>Budget approved 06/09/22</i>	Contract augmentation includes additional staffing for the following: 1. Complete reviews and recommendations for patients with mental illness pending discipline and/or administrative segregation. 2. Expand mental health services for patients in the Acute Psychiatric Unit. 3. Add staffing for constant observation of patients on suicide precautions.	LCSW Supervisor (2.0) LCSW (8.0) SWI (5.0) MH Worker (16.0)

Mental Health Contract Augmentation		
Fiscal Year	Program Additions	Staff Augmentation
FY 2023/24	Enhance Outpatient program and treatment planning for patients on MH caseload to increase patients served by 125 (total 525) and provide services 7 days a week.	LCSW Supv (0.5) LCSW (1.0) SW1 (4.0) NP (1.0) Total 6.5
	Early Access Stabilization Services (EASS) – implemented 9/1/23	LCSW (0.5) LCSW (2.0) Psychologist II (1.5) NP (2.0) AAILI (1.0) Psychiatrist (0.5) Total 7.5

The County has increased funding for additional positions for Mental Health staff from \$11,603,681 in FY 2017/18 to \$27,491,906 in FY 2023/24.

See the following tables for updated Adult Correctional Mental Health vacancies:

Jail Facilities Mental Health Vacancy Rates Vacant Positions as of 12/05/23		
Title	Vacancies	Vacancy Rate
Admin Assistant III	1	50%
Administrative Officer 3	1	50%
Behavioral Health Psychiatric Supervisor	0	0
Hospital Unit Service Coordinator	0	0
LCSW Supervisor	3.8	35%
Licensed Clinical Social Worker	11	27%
Medical Director	0	0
Mental Health Worker	3	19%
Nurse Practitioner	3.5	49%
Program Manager	0	0
Psychologist 1	1	50%
Psychologist 2	2	66%
Social Worker I	3	9%
Psychiatrist	0.5	100%
Total	33.8	26%

Staffing Efforts

- Recruitment & Hiring: Managers and supervisors for Medical and Mental Health continue hiring and onboarding staff on an ongoing basis. ACH nursing has seen a rise in applicants in the last six months and are encouraged by the level of interest. Hiring remains a high priority.
- Position control and vacancy reports are regularly updated and monitored by ACH Administration.
- Staffing Analysis:
 - Class Counsel requested a staffing analysis which was submitted November 2021.
 - Medical Experts requested an updated and more thorough Staffing Analysis of Medical staff.
 - ACH is in the process of securing a contract with a third-party consultant to complete the required Staffing Analysis. A Nurse consultant referred by the medical SME has expertise in County Jail staffing analyses and will begin providing consulting services in January 2024.

Mental Health Data Posting

(Section II.; Provision C.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

Mental Health Data Posting

- C. The parties agree to meet and confer regarding the gathering and posting of data related to the Jail population. The parties agree that the categories of information to be gathered and publicly posted on a quarterly basis are the following:
- a) the number of people with mental illness booked into jail;
 - b) their average length of stay;
 - c) the percentage of people connected to treatment;
 - d) their recidivism rates;
 - e) the total number of people in jail with a mental health need;
 - f) the number of people who were receiving mental health services at the time of booking; and
 - g) the number of sentenced and unsentenced inmates in custody.
 - h) For sentenced people in the jail, the nature of the commitment convictions, length of sentence(s), and level of mental health care (e.g., Acute, IOP, OPP).
 - i) For unsentenced people in the jail, the nature of the charges, length of pre-trial detention, and level of mental health care (e.g., Acute, IOP, OPP).

Compliance Status by Section:

- II.C. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - II.C.a. – c. e.-f. The following categories of information are gathered and publicly posted on a quarterly basis to the County SSO's Transparency page:
 - The number of people with mental illness booked into jail.
 - Average length of stay.

- Percentage of people connected to treatment.
- Total number of people in jail with a mental health need.
- Number of people who were receiving mental health services at the time of booking.
- Point-in-time data reports are posted quarterly with email notification to Class Counsel. See SSO Transparency page for information related to the Corrections Consent Decree: <https://www.sacsheriff.com/pages/transparency.php>.

III. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES (ADA)

Policy & Procedures (Section III; Provision A.)

Status: **SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE**

A. Policies and Procedures

1. It is the County's policy to provide access to its programs and services to prisoners with disabilities, with or without reasonable accommodation, consistent with legitimate penological interests. No prisoner with a disability, as defined in 42 U.S.C. § 12102 shall, because of that disability, be excluded from participation in or denied the benefits of services, programs, or activities or be subjected to discrimination. The County's policy is to provide reasonable accommodations or modifications where necessary, consistent with 28 C.F.R. §§ 35.150 & 35.152, and other applicable federal and state disability law.
2. The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, revise its Operations Order to establish standard and consistent procedures for the Jail to ensure compliance with the ADA and the remedial provisions outlined herein.
3. The County shall, within 12 months from court approval of the Settlement and in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, revise policies, procedures, and inmate orientation materials (e.g. Inmate Handbook), in accordance with the revised Operations Order and the remedial provisions outlined herein. A list of policies which the County will revise consistent with the provisions outlined herein, as appropriate and in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, is attached as Exhibit A-1.
4. All staff will receive training appropriate to their position on policies and procedures related to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and related disability laws.

All policies, forms, and training materials have been approved by Class Counsel/Experts except where noted as (*pending review*).

Policies:

- ACH PP 01-09 Grievance Process for Health/Disability Complaints (revision 12/01/21) – *Pending review by Mental Health Expert*
- ACH PP 06-02 Patients with Disabilities (12/01/20) – *Final*
- ACH PP 06-03 Effective Communication (revision 03/12/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 06-04 Interpretation Services (revision 04/05/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 06-05 ADA Coordination (revision 11/05/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 06-06 Patients with Disabilities or Other Significant Health Needs (revision 04/05/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 06-07 Health Care Appliances, Assistive Devices, and Durable Medical Equipment (revision 04/05/21) – *Final*
- MH PP 07-07 Mental Health Adaptive Support Program (06/15/22) – *Final*

Forms:

- Grievance Form and Appeal Form (revision 12/01/21) – *Pending review by MH Expert*
- Disabilities Screening Template (EHR) – *Final*
- Effective Communication Template (EHR; revision 08/31/21) – *Final*
- Alta Regional Center Referral Form (10/2021) – *Final*
- Mental Health Adaptive Support Survey (05/2022) – *Final*
- Mental Health Adaptive Support Program Screener (05/2022) – *Final*
- Refusal Form – *In review based on feedback*
- Health Services Request form – *In revision*

Compliance Status by Section:

- III.A.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - See County policies above.
- III.A.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - See County policies above and Mays Policy Tracker (Attachment 1).
- III.A.4. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - All ACH staff have received training on policies and procedures related to compliance with ADA and continues to be part of ACH onboarding of new staff.

ADA Tracking

(Section III; Provision B.)

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

B. ADA Tracking System

1. The County shall develop and implement a comprehensive system (an “ADA Tracking System”) to identify and track screened prisoners with disabilities as well as accommodation and Effective Communication needs.
2. The ADA Tracking System shall identify:
 - a. All types of disabilities, including but not limited to psychiatric, intellectual, developmental, learning, sensory, mobility, or other physical disabilities, and special health care needs;
 - b. Prisoners with disabilities that may pose a barrier to communication, including but not limited to learning, intellectual, or developmental disabilities, and hearing, speech, or vision impairments;
 - c. Accommodation needs, including as to housing, classification, Effective Communication, adaptive supports, and assistive devices;
 - d. Prisoners who require specific health care appliances, assistive devices, and/or durable medical equipment (HCA/AD/DME);
 - e. Prisoners who are class members in *Armstrong v. Newsom* (N.D. Cal. No. 94-cv-02307), with their applicable disability classification(s) and accommodation need(s).
3. The ADA Tracking System’s prisoner disability information will be readily accessible to custody, medical, mental health, and other staff at the Jail who need such information to ensure appropriate accommodations and adequate program access for prisoners with disabilities.

Policies:

- ACH PP 06-05 ADA Coordination (revision 11/05/21) – Final

Compliance Status by Section:

- III.B.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The County has developed and implemented a comprehensive system (an “ADA Tracking System”) in SSO’s jail management system (ATIMS) to identify and track screened patients with disabilities as well as accommodation and Effective Communication needs.
- III.B.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The ADA Tracking System in ATIMS identifies all areas outlined as required in the Remedial Plan, including disability type/special health care needs, communication needs, accommodation needs, healthcare assistive devices, and/or durable medical equipment needed (HCA/AD/DME) and class members in *Armstrong v. Newsom* (N.D. Cal. No. 94-cv-02307), with their applicable disability classification(s) and accommodation need(s).
 - This reporting period, ACH developed and implemented a DME note for staff to use when delivering and/or collecting DME from a patient. This allows staff to easily determine if and when DME was actually given to a patient, which enhances our DME tracking abilities.
- III.B.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The ADA Tracking System in ACH EHR and SSO’s ATIMS is readily accessible to SSO Custody, ACH Medical, ACH Mental Health, and other staff at the Jail who need such information to ensure appropriate accommodations and adequate program access for patients with disabilities.
 - ACH developed and refined EHR templates for screening and documenting disabilities and accommodations. These forms permit ongoing changes if the accommodation status needs to be modified.
 - A Medical Assistant (MA) has been assigned to review the EHR and verify accommodations have been provided and notify Nursing and/or a Provider to assess patient if not. If not, the MA notifies Nursing and/or a Provider to assess patient.
 - Interfaces between EHR and Sheriff’s Office (SSO) jail management system (ATIMS) system are designed to support communication in this area.
 - Providers have been instructed to schedule provider follow-ups with patients prior to their DME prescription expiring (ex. Crutches for 3 weeks). If it is determined that the patient continues to need the device/equipment, the order will be extended. SSO does not take away equipment from the patient even if it shows expired in their system. They will

coordinate with medical staff to determine if the accommodation is still needed. If not, medical staff will collect the equipment.

Screening for Disability & Disability-Related Needs

(Section III; Provision D.)

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

D. Screening for Disability and Disability-Related Needs.

1. The County shall conduct adequate screening of prisoners to be housed in the Jail in order to identify disabilities and disability-related accommodation, housing, classification, and other needs. All individuals detained at the Jail for any period of time will be assessed for Effective Communication needs, consistent with the provisions herein.
2. The County shall take steps to identify and verify each prisoner's disability and disability-related needs during medical intake screening, including based on:
 - a) The individual's self-identification or claim to have a disability;
 - b) Documentation of a disability in the individual's health record;
 - c) Staff observation that the individual may have a disability that affects placement, program access, or Effective Communication; or
 - d) The request of a third party (such as a family member) for an evaluation of the individual for an alleged disability.

Policies:

- ACH PP 05-05 Nurse Intake (revision 12/01/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 06-02 Patients with Disabilities (12/01/20) – *Final*
- ACH PP 06-03 Effective Communication (03/12/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 06-06 Patients with Disabilities or Other Significant Health Needs (revision 04/05/21) – *Final*

Audits and Reports:

- RN Intake Audit – ADA Identification and Documentation
- RN Intake Audit– Referrals Initiated as Indicated
- Nurse Intake Report

Compliance Status by Section:

- III.D.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - County ACH conducts an Intake Health Screening for anyone who will be housed in the Jails. The Health Intake Screening includes forms and questions to identify essential information regarding disabilities, accommodations, and effective communication needs consistent with policy and this Remedial Plan requirement. All individuals detained at the Jail for any period of time will be assessed for Effective Communication needs, consistent with the provisions herein.
- III.D.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - III.D.2.a. – d. ACH’s Health Intake Screening process includes forms and questions to identify and verify disability-related needs based on an individual’s self-identification or claim to have a disability; documentation of a disability in the individual’s health record; staff observation, or collateral (family report) information – information that indicates someone may have a disability that affects housing needs, program access, or Effective Communication needs.
 - Intake training is provided to Intake Registered Nursing (RNs) annually.
 - Automatic referrals or prompts are triggered at intake based on responses to specific questions to mental health for post-intake assessment of psychiatric, developmental, or intellectual disabilities.
 - ACH QI conducts quarterly ADA audits. Over time, intake nurses have improved with respect to identifying and documenting disabilities and related needs.
 - Staff developed and refined a tool to audit disabilities, accommodations, and effective communication.
 - Audits are completed regularly, the most recent in May 2023. Data indicates that staff are improving with regard to identifying and documenting disabilities, accommodations, and effective communication.
 - Audits will continue on a regular basis and data/trends will be reviewed for errors, systemic issues, and opportunities to improve detection and create individualized care plans. Data is reviewed during QIC meetings.
 - See the table below for a comparison of an early audit with the most recent audit.

Indicator – Intake RN action on disability-related information	Data Period – Intakes completed on:				
	July 2021	July 2022	November 2022	February 2023	May 2023
ADA Assessment form complete and accurate	42/84 (50%)	36/44 (82%)	12/16 (75%)	22/23 (96%)	16/23 (67%)
Effective Communication (EC) form complete and accurate	73/84 (87%)	40/44 (91%)	16/16 (100%)	22/23 (96%)	23/24 (96%)
Housing accommodation provided when needed	38/39 (97%)	12/13 (92%)	11/13 (73%)	15/23 (65%)	8/12 (67%)
Assistive device ordered when needed	8/10 (80%)	2/6 (33%)	7/8 (88%)	4/4 (100%)	5/10 (50%)
Referred to MH when needed	18/21 (86%)	12/12 (100%)	8/10 (80%)	17/20 (85%)	16/17 (94%)
Referred to provider when needed	1/4 (25%)	9/10 (90%)	12/15 (80%)	15/23 (65%)	11/12 (92%)

Health Care Appliances, Assistive Devices, Durable Medical Equipment

(Section III; Provision F.)

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

F. Health Care Appliances, Assistive Devices, Durable Medical Equipment

1. The County shall establish a written policy to ensure provision of safe and operational HCA/AD/DME, with a process for repair and replacement.
2. The County shall timely provide HCA/AD/DME to prisoners with disabilities who require such assistance. The County shall ensure an individualized assessment by medical staff to determine whether HCA/AD/DME is warranted to ensure equal and meaningful access to programs, services, and activities in the Jail.
3. The County shall allow prisoners to retain personal HCAs/ADs/DME (which will include reading glasses), unless there is an individualized determination that doing so would create an articulated safety or security risk.
 - a) Where Jail staff determine it is necessary to remove a prisoner's personal HCA/AD/DME for security reasons, the County shall provide an equivalent Jail-issued device unless custody staff, with supervisory review, determine and document, based on an individualized assessment, that the device constitutes a risk of bodily harm or threatens the security of the facility.
 - b) If such a determination is made, the ADA coordinator or supervisory-level designee shall document the decision and reasons for it, in writing, and shall consult with medical staff to determine an appropriate alternative accommodation.
4. The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, implement a written policy governing the release of prisoners who need assistive devices upon release.
 - a) The County will ensure that any personal mobility device belonging to a prisoner is returned to the prisoner prior to release from custody.
 - b) If a prisoner does not have a personal mobility device, but is ambulatory with the assistance of a cane, crutch, or walker, the prisoner will be permitted to retain such device that was used while in custody upon release, or will be provided a comparable device, upon release.
 - c) If a prisoner who is due for release requires a wheelchair, but does not have a personal wheelchair, Jail staff shall coordinate with the prisoner, the prisoner's family or friends, and other County agencies as needed to secure a wheelchair or take other steps to address the individual's needs upon release. The County shall document this process in the ADA Tracking System for purposes of individual tracking and quality assurance.

Policies:

- ACH 05-10 Discharge Planning (05/19/22) – *Final*
- ACH 06-07 Health Care Appliances Assistive Devices and Durable Medical Equipment (revised 04/05/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- III.F.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has established a written policy to ensure the provision of safe and operational HCA/AD/DME, with a process for repair and replacement.
- III.F.2. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Electronic forms were completed to assist in identification and tracking of assistive devices and durable medical equipment (DME).
 - Policy and EHR forms allow providers to select “other” when ordering assistive devices and/or DME in addition to the pre-determined list.
 - Staff developed a process to ensure newly ordered devices are provided to patients in a timely manner. This includes the use of a DME note that is used to track delivery and pick up of the DME.
 - A flag has been created in ATIMS to identify health care appliances, assistive devices, and durable medical equipment.
 - Nursing or Provider staff orders a DME flag in AthenaPractice which transmits to ATIMS.
 - SSO runs a report in ATIMS to show patients with a medical equipment and device flag.
 - The ability to use CPAPs and their availability have long been an area of non-compliance with the jails. Use of CPAPs required patients to be housed in 2 East where there was adequate power supply and necessary outlets. 2 East has limited housing and managing this need was quite difficult. During this reporting period, SSO approved the use of battery operated CPAPs with a new ACH contractor. ACH ordered 20 of these CPAPs and they went into production mid-December. This is a major step forward in many aspects:
 - More patients can now utilize CPAPs in general population.
 - We have a new contractor who will be conducting our sleep studies.
 - We have freed up needed cells on 2 East. We were able to move one patient who was in our 2 Medical infirmary into 2 East, allowing more flexibility to conduct onsite monitoring and reduce send-outs. Maintaining open beds in 2 Medical and 2 East is critical for operations.
- III.F.4. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

- If a patient who is due for release from custody requires a wheelchair but does not have a personal wheelchair, ACH nursing will, as part of the discharge planning process, coordinate with the patient, the patient's family or friends, and other County agencies as needed to secure a wheelchair, or take other steps to address the patient's needs upon release. Discharge Planning/Reentry nursing staff monitors the above steps to ensure patients who require a wheelchair have one upon release.
 - SSO will return any personal mobility device to the inmate upon release from custody.
 - If a patient does not have a personal mobility device, but is ambulatory with the assistance of a cane, crutch, or walker, SSO will permit the patient to retain such device that was used while in custody or provide a comparable device upon release.

Effective Communication

(Section III; Provision I.)

Status: **SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE**

I. Effective Communication

1. The County shall assess all individuals detained at the Jail for any period of time for Effective Communication needs, and shall take steps to provide Effective Communication based on individual need.
2. The County's ADA policies shall include comprehensive guidance to ensure Effective Communication for prisoners with vision, speech, hearing, intellectual, learning, or other disabilities. The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, ensure that sufficient guidance on the provision of Effective Communication is included in Jail custody and health care policies and procedures.

3. Standard for Provision of Effective Communication in Due Process Events and Clinical Encounters
 - a. A higher standard for the provision of Effective Communication shall apply in the following situations:
 - i. Due Process Events, including the following:
 - Classification processes
 - Prisoner disciplinary hearing and related processes
 - Service of notice (to appear and/or for new charges)
 - Release processes
 - Probation encounters/meetings in custody
 - ii. Clinical Encounters, including the following:
 - Determination of medical history or description of ailment or injury
 - Diagnosis or prognosis
 - Medical care and medical evaluations
 - Provision of mental health evaluations, rounds, group and individual therapy, counseling and other therapeutic activities
 - Provision of the patient's rights, informed consent, or permission for treatment
 - Explanation of medications, procedures, treatment, treatment options, or surgery
 - Discharge instructions

- b. In the situations described in subsection (a), above, Jail staff shall:
 - i. Identify each prisoner's disability where there may be a barrier to comprehension or communication requiring reasonable accommodation(s);
 - ii. Provide effective reasonable accommodation(s) to overcome the communication barrier; and
 - iii. Document the method used to achieve Effective Communication and how the staff person determined that the prisoner understood the encounter, process, and/or proceeding.
4. Effective auxiliary aids and services that are appropriate to the needs of a prisoner with Effective Communication needs shall be provided when simple written or oral communication is not effective. Such aids may include bilingual aides, SLIs, readers, sound amplification devices, captioned television/video text displays, Videophones and other telecommunication devices for deaf persons (TDDs), audiotaped texts, Braille materials, large print materials, writing materials, and signage.
5. In determining what auxiliary aid service to provide, the County shall give primary consideration to the request of prisoner with Effective Communication needs.
6. Education providers (e.g., Elk Grove Unified School District) at the Jail will ensure Effective Communication for prisoners participating in education programs, including by providing necessary assistive equipment and take steps to accommodate learning strategies of those prisoner-students who have special needs, such as those with developmental, learning, vision, hearing, and speech disabilities.
7. The County shall assist prisoners who are unable to complete necessary paperwork (e.g., related to health care, due process, Jail processes) on their own with reading and/or writing as needed.
8. The County shall permit prisoners, including those who are illiterate, non-English speaking, or otherwise unable to submit written or electronic sick call requests, to verbally request care. Such verbal requests shall immediately be documented by the staff member who receives the request on an appropriate form and transmitted to a qualified mental health or medical professional for response in the same priority as those sick call requests received in writing.
9. The County shall post and disseminate notices, policies, job announcements, and other written material in alternative formats to promote Effective Communication.

Policies:

- ACH PP 06-03 Effective Communication (revision 03/12/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- III.I.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH assesses all individuals for Effective Communication needs and takes steps to provide Effective Communication based on individual need consistent with policy.
- III.I.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH's Effective Communication policy was completed with approval from Class Counsel and court-appointed Experts and modified in 2021 to include additional questions for identifying EC needs and to simplify the language used in the inquiry.
- III.I.3. – 9. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The Effective Communication (EC) form in ACH's Electronic Health Record (EHR) is the first form to be completed in all clinical encounters and cannot be bypassed. This assists in identifying and tracking patients with effective communication needs, including those that change over time.
 - ACH's Effective Communication policy was completed with approval from Class Counsel and court-appointed Experts. The Effective Communication form captures clinical encounters, which must include all areas identified in this Remedial Plan requirement.

Effective Communication and Access for Individuals with Hearing Impairments

(Section III; Provision J.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

J. Effective Communication and Access for Individuals with Hearing Impairments

1. The County shall develop and implement a policy for newly arrived and newly identified prisoners with hearing disabilities to determine each prisoner's preferred method of communication.
2. Qualified Sign Language Interpreters (SLIs) will be provided during intake and for due process functions, health care encounters, and Jail programming, when sign language is the prisoner's primary or only means of Effective Communication, unless the prisoner waives the assistance of an interpreter and/or delay would pose a safety or security risk.
 - a) The County shall maintain a contract or service agreement with interpreter services in order to provide such services for deaf or hearing impaired prisoners. Jail staff will be informed of the availability of contract interpreter services.
 - b) Lip reading will not be the sole method of Effective Communication used by staff, unless the prisoner has no other means of communication.
 - c) In cases where the use of an SLI is not practicable, or is waived by the prisoner, Jail staff shall employ the most effective form of communication available.
 - d) The County will maintain a log of (a) when, for whom, and for what purpose an SLI was used; and (b) when, for whom, and why a SLI was not used for a prisoner with an identified need for SLI services (e.g., prisoner waived SLI or delay would have posed safety or security risk).
 - e) When a prisoner waives an SLI, the log must document (a) the method of communication of the waiver, and (b) the method staff used to determine that the waiver was knowing and freely given.

Policies:

- ACH PP 06-03 Effective Communication (revision 03/12/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 06-04 Interpretation Services (revision 04/05/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- III.J.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH developed and implemented an Effective Communication policy for newly arrived and newly identified prisoners with hearing disabilities to determine each prisoner's preferred method of communication.
- III.J.2. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Qualified Sign Language Interpreters (SLIs) will be provided during Intake and health care encounters. The County maintains a contract with *LanguageLine* interpreter services and patients are informed of this service at all clinical encounters.
 - ACH utilizes video interpreting services for patients who need Sign Language Interpretation (SLI).
 - Designated computers have a camera installed and a necessary icon to access the *LanguageLine InSight* application.
 - Each MH program area has access to a tablet that is utilized for all *LanguageLine* interactions.
 - ACH does not currently track all of the required elements in the J.2.d-e provision. This log will be created and maintained in the upcoming monitoring periods.

Disability-Related Grievance Process

(Section III; Provision K.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

K. Disability-Related Grievance Process

1. The County shall implement a grievance system for prisoners with disabilities to report any disability-based discrimination or violation of the ADA, this Remedial Plan, or Jail ADA-related policy, and shall provide a prompt response and equitable resolution in each case.
2. The County shall ensure that the grievance procedures are readily available and accessible to all prisoners.
 - a) The County shall make reasonable efforts to ensure all prisoners are aware of the disability grievance procedures, including the availability of accommodations and staff assistance to submit a grievance and/or appeal.
 - b) The County shall ensure the prisoners with disabilities have meaningful access to grievance forms, including through provision of staff assistance and large print materials.
3. Response to Grievances
 - a) The County shall develop and implement an ADA grievance process that includes (1) a reasonable timeline for response to ADA-related grievances and appeals, including an expedited process for urgent ADA grievance (e.g., involving prisoner safety or physical well-being); and (2) provision for interim accommodations pending review of the individual's grievances/appeals.
 - b) The County shall ensure that prisoners with communication needs are interviewed and provided assistance as part of the grievance/appeal process where necessary to ensure meaningful access and Effective Communication.
 - c) The County shall document each denial of a reasonable accommodation request and shall record the basis for such determination.
 - d) The County shall provide in writing a copy of the grievance (or appeal) response to the prisoner, including the resolution, the basis for a denial (if applicable), and the process for appeal.
 - e) The County shall ensure that completed grievance responses are effectively communicated to prisoners with disabilities.
4. The submission, processing, and responses for disability-related grievances and complaints shall be tracked.

Policies & Forms:

- ACH PP 01-09 Grievance Process for Health/Disability Complaints (revised 12/01/21) – *Final*
- Grievance Form and Appeal Form (revised 12/01/21)- *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- III.K.1 PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has implemented a grievance process as outlined in policy approved by Class Counsel and court-appointed Experts where patients with disabilities can report any disability-based discrimination or violation of the ADA, the Remedial Plan, or ACH’s ADA policy. This item will be in SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE once a “prompt response” is consistently provided.
 - ACH has requested growth for an additional QI RN to be designated to resolve grievances promptly.
- III.K.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The medical grievance process is outlined in the Sheriff’s Inmate Handbook that is given at booking. Medical staff review and update the Handbook prior to each revision to ensure all pertinent medical information is included.
 - ACH has grievance forms available in each pod. As staff collect grievances daily, they ensure forms are stocked.
 - To allow for secure submission, confidential grievance lock boxes are in each pod as well.
- III.K.3.a. NON-COMPLIANCE
 - This provision is non-compliant due to the delays in responding to patient grievances. Nursing staff are frequently pulled to cover intake, withdrawal monitoring, and medication administration therefore making it difficult to respond to grievances. ACH has requested growth for a QI RN that will be assigned to overseeing the entire grievance process.
- III.K.3.b-e. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The Grievance policy and forms were substantially revised based on Medical Expert feedback. Key additions include immediate review of each grievance by a nurse and immediate action when indicated, specific timeframes for requesting and responding to appeals, and more detail on the grievance and appeal forms.
 - ACH QI has developed and implemented a Grievance Corrective Action Plan to support greater compliance in meeting response timeframes.
 - A shared folder was created for both jail nursing staff and QI staff.

- Both facilities maintain a combined spreadsheet of open grievances and a copy scanned to the secured folder for review by nursing and QI.
- QI is able to view all open grievances based on the information in the shared folder.
- Corrective actions and updates are discussed at a monthly multi-disciplinary meeting.
- III.K.4. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - A grievances tracking system is in place and overseen by QI. ACH and SSO Custody continue to discuss an electronic Grievance form process – which will support more accurate tracking.
 - Staff violations of the ADA/disability process resulting in grievances are also tracked in a Staff Complaint category that is reported on quarterly. Staff complaints are monitored and follow-up on by management as appropriate.
 - QI continues to monitor medical staff scanning grievances as they are collected; as it is an area of deficiency previously.

Prisoners with Intellectual Disabilities

(Section III; Provision O.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

O. Prisoners with Intellectual Disabilities

1. The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs’ counsel, develop and implement a comprehensive written policy and procedure regarding prisoners with an Intellectual Disability, including:
 - a) Screening for Intellectual Disabilities;
 - b) Identification of prisoners’ adaptive support needs and adaptive functioning deficits; and
 - c) Monitoring, management, and accommodations for prisoners with Intellectual Disabilities.
2. A multidisciplinary team that includes appropriate health care staff will monitor and ensure appropriate care for prisoners with an Intellectual Disability. The multidisciplinary team will develop an individualized plan for each prisoner with an Intellectual Disability, which addresses: (1) safety, vulnerability, and victimization concerns, (2) adaptive support needs, (3) programming, housing, and accommodation needs. The multidisciplinary team’s plan will be regularly reviewed and updated as needed.

Policies:

- ACH PP 05-05 Nurse Intake (revision 12/01/22) – *Final*
- MH PP 07-07 Mental Health Adaptive Support Program (06/15/22) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- III.O.1. a.-c.: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The County has in consultation with Plaintiffs’ counsel, developed and implemented a comprehensive written policy and procedure regarding prisoners with an Intellectual Disability, including Screening for Intellectual Disabilities; Identification of prisoners’ adaptive support needs and adaptive functioning deficits; and Monitoring, management, and accommodations for patients with Intellectual Disabilities.
 - The Nurse Intake policy and Mental Health Adaptive Support Program policy were completed in approval with Class Counsel and the court-appointed Experts.
 - As part of the Intake Health Screening, Nursing gathers information through screening, past history, self-identification, third party report or observation noting possible intellectual disability and refers patients identified to mental health staff for an assessment and treatment plan.
- III.O.2: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - A multidisciplinary team that includes appropriate health care staff will monitor and ensure appropriate care for prisoners with an Intellectual Disability. The multidisciplinary team will develop an individualized plan for each prisoner with an Intellectual Disability, which addresses: (1) safety, vulnerability, and victimization concerns, (2) adaptive support needs, (3) programming, housing, and accommodation needs. The multidisciplinary team’s plan will be regularly reviewed and updated as needed.
 - Mental Health began staff training and implementation of the Mental Health Adaptive Support Program in September 2022. Adaptive Support Plans (ASPs) are entered into patient charts as well as a copy provided to housing unit Custody. The ASP is also entered on the patient Problems and Conditions in the EHR.
 - Mental Health completes an ASP for every patient with a confirmed diagnosed with an Intellectual Disability.
 - Trained core staff to complete MoCA assessments to identify patients with cognitive impairments who require adaptive supports.

- Assigned a MH supervisor to review patient caseload on a weekly basis to ensure that ASP is in place for all patients diagnosed with ID and patient is referred to EOP.
- MH worked with SSO to place male patients at the Main Jail with ID in 3W (7 patients) and 3E (4 patients) in designated housing. Females with ID are mostly housed in 7W 100. This allows for easier access to patients who need additional assistance and is an added layer of security for patient safety.
- A patient's mental health ASP indicates the additional assistance a patient needs in order to program in the jail, based on diagnosis and identified needs. Once a patient has a mental health ASP, it is required that all staff interacting with the patient provide the adaptive supports identified in the ASP during encounters and document to such in the encounter note. This information has been messaged to all service lines in multiple ways, including the ACH Newsletter.
- Custody staff assigned to IOP and APU received training on MH ASP on 11/2022.
- MH creates an alert in the patient's chart to inform medical and custody that the patient has adaptive supports in place. Custody receives the alert via ATIMS.
- MH provides a copy of the ASP to custody and a copy is placed in the patient's chart.

ADA Training, Accountability, and Quality Assurance

(Section III; Provision P.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

P. ADA Training, Accountability, and Quality Assurance

1. The County shall ensure all custody, health care, facility maintenance, and other Jail staff receive ADA training appropriate to their position.
 - a) The County shall provide to all staff appropriate training on disability awareness, including the use and purpose of accommodations and modifications in accordance with the ADA.
 - b) The ADA training shall include: formalized lesson plans and in-classroom or virtual training for staff (including managers, supervisors, and rank-and-file staff) provided by certified or otherwise qualified ADA trainers.
2. ADA instructors shall have appropriate ADA training and subject matter expertise necessary to effectively provide ADA training to staff.
3. The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, develop and implement written policies and procedures regarding monitoring, investigating, and tracking staff violations (or allegations of violations) of ADA requirements and Jail ADA policies.
4. The County shall develop an ADA accountability plan that will ensure quality assurance and establish staff accountability for egregious, serious, or repeated violations of the ADA and Jail ADA-related policies and procedures.

Policies:

- ACH MH PP 01-07 Quality Improvement Program (revision 04/13/22) – *Final*
- ACH MH PP 01-09 Grievance Process for Health/Disability Complaints (revision 12/01/21) – *Final*
- ACH MH PP 03-08 Staff Development & Training (revision 03/03/23) – *Final*
- ACH MH PP 06-02 Patients with Disabilities (12/01/20) – *Final*
- ACH MH PP 06-03 Effective Communication (revision 03/12/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 06-04 Interpretation Services (revision 04/05/21) – *Final*

- ACH PP 06-05 ADA Coordination (revision 11/05/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 06-06 Patients with Disabilities or Other Significant Health Needs (revision 04/05/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 06-07 Health Care Appliances, Assistive Devices, and Durable Medical Equipment (revision 04/05/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- III.P.1&2 SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ADA and Effective Communication (EC) Training and Documentation PowerPoints were developed and approved. The documentation PowerPoint has been updated to include changes to EHR templates.
 - Training is mandatory for all ACH staff, including contracted mental health staff, in the jails as well as administrative positions (Case Management and Quality Improvement) working offsite.
 - Currently, 274 ACH staff have completed ADA and EC Training since 2021.
- III.P.3 SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has, in consultation with Plaintiffs’ counsel, developed and implemented written policies and procedures regarding monitoring, investigating, and tracking staff violations (or allegations of violations) of ADA requirements and jail ADA policies.
 - Alleged staff violations of ADA requirements are captured in the Grievance Process. See **Disability-Related Grievance Process** (Provision K.) for further detail.
- III.P.4 PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has created an ADA Accountability Plan and has established ADA related audits and patient grievances concerning ADA related issues as methods for identifying violations of policy. This element of the provision is partially compliant due to the delays in responses to patient grievances that may hinder immediate and appropriate actions resulting from grievance reviews.
 - If any egregious or repeated violations are identified, corrective actions that include staff disciplinary measures will be enforced.

IV. MENTAL HEALTH

Policy & Procedures (Section IV; Provisions A.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

A. Policies and Procedures

1. The County shall establish policies and procedures that are consistent with the provisions of this Remedial Plan and include the following:
 - a) A written document reflecting the complete spectrum of mental healthcare programming and services provided to prisoners;
 - b) Minimum and maximum timeframes for when each type of mental healthcare service will be completed, including but not limited to laboratory tracking and psychiatry follow-up services, in accordance with prevailing community and professional standards;
 - c) An intake and referral triage system to ensure timely and effective resolution of inmate requests and staff referrals for mental healthcare;
 - d) Specific credentialing requirements for the delivery of mental healthcare services, including but not limited to only qualified mental health professionals may make critical treatment decisions.
 - e) Clinical monitoring of inmates, including but not limited to those who are involuntarily medicated, clinically restrained or secluded, segregated, or on suicide watch;

- a) Descriptions of specialized mental health programming that specifically identify admitting and discharge criteria and the staff members who have the authority to place inmates in specialized mental health housing;
 - b) Procedures for involuntary medications and other appropriate measures for the management of inmates with serious mental illness who lack the capacity to give informed consent, in accordance with relevant state law;
 - c) Training for all staff members who are working with inmates with mental illness in all aspects of their respective duty assignments.
2. The County's policies and procedures shall be revised, as necessary, to reflect all of the remedial measures described in this Remedial Plan.
 3. The County shall continue to operate its acute inpatient program and its Outpatient Psychiatric Pod (OPP) program. The County shall establish a new Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP) for inmates who require a higher level of outpatient psychiatric care than what is provided in the OPP program.
 4. The County shall operate its non-acute mental health programs – IOP, OPP, and General Population-Mental Health – consistent with the JPS Psychiatric Services overview, attached as Exhibit A-2 [in the Remedial Plan].

Policies:

- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (11/16/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 05-21 Restraints and Seclusion – Joint policy (revision 08/29/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 05-22 Patients in Segregation (05/31/21) – *Final*
- MH PP 01-10 Access to Mental Health Services (07/12/22) – *Final*
- MH PP 03-02 Overview of Staff Responsibilities – APU (revision 10/5/23) – *Pending ACMH Review*
- MH PP 03-03 Overview of Staff Responsibilities - Outpatient (revision 10/24/23) – *Pending review by Mental Health Expert*
- MH PP 03-04 Psychiatric Prescriber Duties (revision 10/05/23) – *Final*
- MH PP 03-05 Acute Psychiatric Nursing Responsibilities - APU (revision 12/16/21) – *Final*
- MH PP 03-06 Acute Psychiatric Unit Psychiatrist Responsibilities (revision 11/30/22) – *Final*
- MH PP 04-01 Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP) (revision 03/24/23) – *Final*
- MH PP 04-02 FOSS Levels (12/30/21) – *Final*
- MH PP 04-03 Basic Mental Health Services (07/27/22) – *Final*

- MH PP 04-04 Outpatient Mental Health Services and Levels of Care (revision 06/08/23) – *Final*
- MH PP 04-07 Acute Psychiatric Unit – Precautions and Observations (06/22/22) – *Final*
- MH PP 04-09 Acute Psychiatric Unit – Admission, Programming and Discharge (revision 11/22/23) – *Final*
- MH PP 07-02 Treatment Planning (09/13/22) – *Final*.
- MH PP 07-03 Use of Benzodiazepines (revision 08/15/23) – *Final*
- MH PP 07-04 Patients with Substance Use Disorders (revision 08/16/23) – *Final*
- MH PP 07-05 Mental Health Evaluations for Planned Use of Force (12/16/21) – *Final*
- MH PP 07-06 MH Rules Violation Review (01/05/22) – *Final*
- MH PP 07-07 Mental Health Adaptive Support Program (revision 06/15/22) – *Final*
- MH PP 07-09 Constant Observation of Mental Health Patients (revision 09/28/23) – *Pending review by Mental Health Expert and Class Counsel*
- MH PP 07-10m Management of Clozaril Patients (10/13/23)- *Final*
- MH PP 09-02 Lanterman-Petris-Short Conservatorship (04/17/20) – *Final*
- MH PP 09-04 Administration of Involuntary Psychotropic Medication (revision 08/15/23) – *Final*
- MH PP 09-05 Informed Consent-Acute Inpatient Unit (09/27/23) – *Pending review by Mental Health Expert*
- MH PP 09-06 Patient’s Rights (10/07/21) – *Final*
- MH PP 09-07 Denial of Patient’s Rights (08/06/21) – *Final*
- MH PP 09-08 Prison Rape Elimination Act (08/06/21) – *In ACMH Review*
- MH PP 09-11 Involuntary Detainment Advisement (11/21/22) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- IV.A.1.a. – h. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The County ACH and ACH Mental Health established policies and procedures that are consistent with the provisions of this Remedial Plan requirement as listed above.
- IV.A.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The County’s policies and procedures are revised as necessary, to reflect all of the Remedial Plan measures described in this Remedial Plan.

- IV.A.3. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

- ACH Mental Health continues to operate its acute inpatient program and its Outpatient Psychiatric Pod (OPP) program. The County established a new Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP) for inmates who require a higher level of outpatient psychiatric care than what is provided in the OPP program.
- MH added three social work staff to the Acute Psychiatric Unit; these staff provide therapeutic interventions, crisis intervention, group therapy, case management, and coordination of MDTs.
- MH administration has daily bed assignment/utilization meetings with SSO Custody to review movement between the IOP, OPP, and the Acute Psychiatric Unit. This includes admissions, discharges, and MH recommendations for housing.
- The plan to increase high security/high acuity IOP beds to serve patients with SMI who are housed in Administrative Segregation was implemented – an additional 8 IOP female beds were added at the Main Jail in late May/early June 2022 and 24 male IOP beds were implemented in September 2022 at the RCCC.
- MH reallocated EOP staff to support expansion of the high acuity/high security IOP as staffing for the additional IOP beds was not included in the budget augmentation for FY 2022/23. Reallocation of EOP staff reduced the capacity of patients that can be served in EOP in FY 2022/23.
- MH received mid-year budget augmentation in FY 2023/24, which restored EOP positions and increased EOP service capacity to 525 patients.
- ACH Medical, MH, and SSO Custody continue to hold space planning meetings to discuss an interim proposal to increase the Acute Psychiatric Unit (APU) beds.
- MH submitted a budget request to increase staffing to allow for 30 additional IOP beds (20 men, 10 women) for the 23/24 budget year. Planning meetings have been held with SSO to determine their staffing and space needs to accommodate this increase.
- Partial Compliance is due to the need for more APU and IOP beds. Until this occurs, this provision will remain in partial compliance.

- IV.A.4. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

- ACH Mental Health operates its non-acute mental health programs – IOP, OPP, and Enhanced Outpatient Program/General Population-Mental Health – consistent Remedial Plan requirements.
- EOP currently serves 275 patients; services include crisis intervention, case management, care coordination, advocacy, discharge planning, and therapeutic interventions including 1:1 and group programming.
- MH received mid-year budget augmentation in FY 2023/24 which restored EOP positions and increased EOP service capacity to 525 patients.

- Implementation of MDTs began for patients participating in EOP.
- EOP expanded therapeutic group services for EOP patients housed on 3E & 3W, 7W, 4E & 4W and 8E.

Summary: July 2023-September 2023 Groups Scheduled and Cancelled

Programs	Number Groups Scheduled	Number Groups Cancelled
APU	198	47 (24%)
EOP	109	17 (16%)
IOP Main Jail: Female	346	37 (11%)
IOP Main Jail: Male	339	41 (12%)
IOP RCCC: 400 pod	309	9 (3%)
IOP RCCC: 500 pod	303	13 (4%)
TOTAL	1,604	164 (10%)

- **10% (164/1,604)** of groups scheduled for this report period were canceled. The reasons for cancelations were due to:
 - 23% (37/164) “facility lockdown”
 - 26% (42/164) “other”
 - 52% (85/164) “custody staffing”
- PARTIAL COMPLIANCE is due to titration of EOP services with long-term plan for all patients on the MH caseload to be assigned to an EOP level of care.

Organizational Structure

(Section IV; Provisions B.)

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

B. Organizational Structure

1. The County shall develop and implement a comprehensive organizational chart that includes the Sheriff's Department ("Department"), Correctional Health Services ("CHS"), Jail Psychiatric Services ("JPS"), Chief Administrative Officer, Medical Director of the JPS Program, and any other mental health staff, and clearly defines the scope of services, chains of authority, performance expectations, and consequences for deficiencies in the delivery of mental health care services.
2. A Medical Director of Jail Psychiatric Services shall be designated and shall oversee all mental health care functions in the jails, including psychiatric prescribers and psychiatric nurses. The Director shall possess clinical experience and a doctoral degree.
3. The Medical Director of Jail Psychiatric Services shall participate in jail executive leadership and shall be responsible for overseeing program development, clinical practice, and policy, as well as interfacing with jail and medical leadership and community mental health.

Policies:

- ACH PP 01-10 Organizational Charts (07/09/21) - *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- IV.B.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The County maintains a comprehensive organizational chart for Adult Correctional Health (ACH) and ACH Mental Health provided by UCD that clearly outlines the chains of authority. ACH also developed and implemented Position Standards and job descriptions, outlining scope of services and performance expectations for each position. Both the County and

UCD have County and UCD-wide policies and disciplinary processes as relates to not meeting standard performance and duties.

- IV.B.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

- ACH Mental Health (MH) has a Medical Director designated to oversee all mental health care functions in the jails, including psychiatric prescribers and psychiatric nurses. The ACH Mental Health Medical Director possesses clinical experience and a doctoral degree. ACH MH reorganized the leadership structure to address Consent Decree requirements and support program and staff expansion.

- IV.B.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

- The ACH MH Medical Director and MH Program Manager participate in ACH Executive Team leadership meetings as well as a variety of meetings including Quality Improvement, Multidisciplinary Team Meetings, ACH leadership and SSO Custody leadership meetings, and ad hoc meetings.

**Patient Privacy
(Section IV; Provisions C.)**

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

C. Patient Privacy

1. All clinical interactions shall be private and confidential absent a specific, current risk that necessitates the presence of custody staff. In making such determination, custody and clinical staff shall confer and review individual case factors, including the patient's current behavior and functioning and any other security concerns necessary to ensure the safety of medical staff. Such determinations shall not be based on housing placement or custodial classification.
 - a) For any determination that a clinical interaction with a patient requires the presence of custody staff, staff shall document the specific reasons for the determination. Such decisions shall be reviewed through the Quality Assurance process.
 - b) If the presence of custody staff is determined to be necessary to ensure the safety of medical staff for any clinical counter, steps shall be taken to ensure auditory privacy of the encounter.
 - c) The County's patient privacy policies, as described in this section, shall apply to contacts between inmates and Triage Navigator Program staff and/or other staff that provide mental health-related services on site at the Jail.
2. Jail policies that mandate custody staff to be present for any mental health treatment in such a way that disrupts confidentiality shall be revised to reflect the individualized process set forth above. Custody and mental health staff shall be trained accordingly.
3. It shall be the policy of the County that mental health clinicians shall not conduct their patient contacts at cell front except pursuant to documented refusals or specific, documented security concerns that warrant cell front contacts.
4. For each clinical contact, mental health staff shall document whether the encounter was confidential, including whether it took place at cell front. If the contact occurred at cell front or otherwise was non-confidential, the reasons shall be clearly documented in the individual patient record and for purposes of Quality Assurance review procedures.
5. A process shall exist for sick call slips or other mental health treatment-related requests to be collected without the involvement of custody staff.

Policies:

- ACH PP 05-09 Health Service Requests (revision 02/06/23) – *Pending review by Medical Expert*

- ACH PP 08-08 Patient Privacy (05/13/21; joint policy) – *Pending review by Medical Expert*

Compliance Status by Section:

- IV.C.1. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - All clinical interactions shall be private and confidential absent a specific, current risk that necessitates the presence of custody staff. In making such a determination, custody and clinical staff shall confer and review individual case factors, including the patient’s current behavior and functioning and any other security concerns necessary to ensure the safety of medical staff. Such determinations shall not be based on housing placement or custodial classification.
 - MH understands the importance of seeing all patients confidentially; however, due to facility infrastructure and lack of confidential interview space, this area remains in PARTIAL COMPLIANCE.
 - MH staff document the confidential status of encounters including rationale when it is not confidential.
 - As a result of audit findings, MH has further defined a drop-down menu of common reasons for the lack of confidentiality for uniformity and data purposes. The form was in production in June 2023 and is used by all service lines.
 - MH supervisors monitor the use of confidential space in booking and classrooms and have regular discussions with staff regarding challenges/barriers to use of confidential space. Staff are documenting rationale when a confidential interview is not possible.
 - MH and SSO Custody meet regularly to discuss challenges/barriers preventing confidential encounters. MH and Custody are developing plans to increase efficiency of using attorney booths on all floors, confidential interviews with patients who present with assaultive or high security/safety issues, and Custody standby while ensuring auditory privacy.
 - Due to ongoing collaboration and training between MH and SSO, audits of confidential encounters have shown a decrease in the number of “safety and security” reasons for non-confidential contacts. Lack of available confidential space continues to be the primary reason for non-confidential encounters.
 - MH supervisors continuously reinforce the importance and requirements of confidential individual interviews and group programming during staff meetings and huddles.

- Designated MH outpatient staff moved to a nearby G St office. Staff vacated a classroom on the third floor that was converted into IOP office space. This increased confidential programming space for groups and individual assessments and interventions.
- SSO and MH consulted with the office furniture distributor to discuss the construction of confidential interview booths for each floor. SSO received approval for proof of concept and a confidential booth was installed on 3W in October 2023. This booth is in frequent use and offers excellent auditory privacy.
- SSO has received approval to install confidential booths in each housing unit. The estimated completion date is the end of 2024.
- SSO Custody distributed IDC to deputy staff in June 2023, directing custody to support MH use of attorney booths and classrooms for confidential contacts.
- Mental Health (MH) staff use designated attorney booths as available for confidential interviews.
- MH developed a workflow outlining the process for utilizing attorney booths.
- IV.C.1.a. – c. a. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE See above IV.C.1.
- IV.C.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - All MH Jail policies that mandated custody staff to be present for any mental health treatment in such a way that disrupts confidentiality have been revised to reflect the individualized process set forth above. Custody and mental health staff have been trained accordingly.
- IV.C.3. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - It is the policy of the County that mental health clinicians shall not conduct their patient contacts at cell front except pursuant to documented refusals or specific, documented security concerns that warrant cell front contacts.
 - Due to ongoing collaboration and training between MH and SSO, audits of confidential encounters have shown a decrease the number of “safety and security” reasons for non-confidential contacts. Lack of available confidential space continues to be the primary reason for non-confidential encounters.
 - MH staff document confidential status of encounters including rationale when it is not confidential.
 - Primary reason for PARTIAL COMPLIANCE is facility infrastructure and lack of confidential space.
- IV.C.4. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH staff document confidential status of encounters including rationale when it is not confidential. As a result of audit findings, MH has further defined a drop-down menu of common reasons for lack of confidentiality for

uniformity and data purposes. The form will be used by all service lines and was implemented in June 2023. Several reports have been conducted for Quality Assurance review procedures.

- Supervisors are completing spot-checks daily to ensure staff are appropriately utilizing confidential space.
- IV.C.5. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The Health Services Request policy outline above outlines the process allowing patients to submit requests or other mental health treatment-related requests to be collected without the involvement of SSO Custody staff involvement.

Clinical Practices

(Section IV; Provisions D.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

D. Clinical Practices

1. Mental health staff shall develop and maintain at each jail facility an accurate case list of all prisoners requiring mental health treatment services at the jail (“caseload”) which, at a minimum, lists the patient’s name, medical chart number, current psychiatric diagnoses, date of booking, date of last appointment, date of next appointment, and the name of the treating prescriber.
2. Qualified mental health professionals shall have access to the patient’s medical record for all scheduled clinical encounters.
3. Qualified mental health professionals shall provide individual counseling, group counseling, and psychosocial/psychoeducational programs based on individual patients’ clinical needs.
4. A qualified mental health professional shall conduct and document a thorough assessment of each individual in need of mental health care following identification.
5. The County shall ensure prompt access to psychiatric prescribers following intake and in response to referrals and individual patient requests in accordance with the referral and triage timelines defined in the Access to Care provisions, below.
6. The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs’ counsel, implement an electronic system for tracking mental health evaluation, treatment, and other clinical contacts, as well as sick call slips and other mental health treatment related requests or referrals.
7. The County shall develop and implement an electronic tracking system with alert and scheduling functions to ensure timely delivery of mental health services to individual patients.

8. Treatment planning:

- a) The County shall ensure that each prisoner on the mental health caseload receives a comprehensive, individualized treatment plan based on the input of the Multi-Disciplinary Treatment Team (MDT). The MDT shall include multiple clinical disciplines with appropriate custody and counseling staff involvement.
- b) The treatment plan shall reflect individual clinical need, and the County shall ensure that all clinically indicated services are available and provided.
- c) The treatment plan shall include, at a minimum, the frequency of follow-up for clinical evaluation and adjustment of treatment modality, the type and frequency of diagnostic testing and therapeutic regimens (which may include clinical contacts more frequent than the minimum intervals described herein), and instructions about adaptation to the correctional environment.
- d) This treatment plan shall include referral to treatment after release from the facility when recommended by treatment staff.
- e) Custody staff shall be informed of a patient's treatment plan where appropriate to ensure coordination and cooperation in the ongoing care of the patient.
- f) The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, develop and implement a Treatment Plan Form that will be used to select and document individualized services for prisoners who require mental health treatment.
- g) The County shall implement guidelines and timelines for the initiation and review of individual treatment plans, consistent with the JPS Psychiatric Services overview, attached as Exhibit A-2.

Policies:

- See policies listed in "Policies and Procedures (Provision A.)"

Compliance Status by Section:

- IV.D.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH staff have developed and maintained at each jail facility an accurate case list of all prisoners requiring mental health treatment services at the jail (“caseload”) which, at a minimum, lists the patient’s name, medical chart number, current psychiatric diagnoses, date of booking, date of last appointment, date of next appointment, and the name of the treating prescriber.
 - ACH has developed a MH caseload report that includes relevant information regarding the current diagnosis and level of mental health services.
 - MH is able to access all of the above information via the patient’s medical record in the EHR.
- IV.D.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Qualified mental health professionals have access to the patient’s medical record for all scheduled clinical encounters.
 - MH staff have full access to all areas of the EHR and pending clinical encounters.
- IV.D.3. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Qualified mental health professionals provide individual counseling, group counseling, and psychosocial/psychoeducational programs based on individual patient’s clinical needs.
 - MH provides individual and group counseling and psychosocial/psychoeducational programs in the IOP, APU, and EOP.
 - This area remains in PARTIAL COMPLIANCE due to staffing and titrating EOP services to the entire MH caseload.
- IV.D.4. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - A qualified mental health professional conducts and documents a thorough assessment of each individual in need of mental health care following identification.
 - MH completes a full assessment of patients as identified as needing mental health services.
- IV.D.5. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The County ensures prompt access to psychiatric prescribers following intake and in response to referrals and individual patient requests in accordance with the referral and triage timelines defined in the Access to Care provisions.
 - MH increased psychiatric prescriber coverage to seven (7) days per week in the Outpatient Program.
 - MH has increased the number of prescribers from four to seven NPs and two to three psychiatrists.
 - Developed a pilot program to provide an additional mental health screening in booking for patients referred by intake to improve timeliness to medication verification and assessment of patients with acute mental health needs.

- A Psychiatrist with combined Internal Medicine/ Psychiatry training joined the acute psychiatric mental health team – allowing for enhanced diagnosis and treatment of patients with combined mental health and medical issues.
- Worked with ACH to create a hard stop in Intake assessment to ensure nursing staff was documenting last known pharmacy if patient reported community medication. Following this update, MH continues to improve timeliness to medication verification.

Reporting Period	Verified Medication within 48 hours
01/01/2023-02/28/2023	52/67 (78%)
03/01/2023 – 05/31/2023	63/79 (80%)
06/01/2023 – 08/31/2023	51/63 (81%)

- **93% (54/58)** charts had the pharmacy’s contact information documented in the intake note.
 - MH verified **100% (63/63)** of medications for all referrals.
 - On average, MH verified **81% (51/63)** of medications within 48 hours. This is a 1% increase from the last reporting period average of 80% (63/79). 12 patients’ community MH medications were not verified within 48 hours, however, 50% (6/12) of those patients’ medication was verified within 72 hours.
- MH revised the medication verification workflow to streamline the process for triaging and verifying community medications.
- MH continues to audit the timeliness to medication verification to ensure patients are receiving community medication within the designated timeframe.
- IV.D.6. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The County has implemented an electronic system for tracking mental health evaluation, treatment, and other clinical contacts, as well as sick call slips and other mental health treatment-related requests or referrals.
 - MH utilizes ACHs EHR to track mental health treatment, encounters, HSRs, and other MH treatment-related requests or referrals.
- IV.D.7. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

- The County shall develop and implement an electronic tracking system with alert and scheduling functions to ensure timely delivery of mental health services to individual patients.
- MH utilizes ACHs EHR to schedule all MH encounters.
- Mental Health EHR Updates:
 - **Confidential Encounter Form** has been enhanced to include the facility along with encounter location and reason(s) for a non-confidential encounter. This form is included in every medical and mental health encounter:

- **MH Encounters and Confidentiality Report** is in production to track MH encounters for patients:

MH Encounters and Confidentiality

Description: This report returns signed Mental Health encounters for a specified date range. This includes patient location information and the associated providers for each encounter.

Encounter dates between 6/1/2023 12:00:00 AM and 6/2/2023 12:00:00 AM Report ran on: 6/16/2023 10:25:18 AM

- **Discharge Planning** – Report in production tracking patient roster for Discharge Linkages to community MH resources:

Patient	Patient ID	Encounter	Referral	Acute	County	Patient	Responsible							
		Date	Location	Type	Outcome	Program	County MH	Psych	ADS	Other	Other Desc	MHCClient	Pickup	Provider

- MH Group Participation Report:** The Fusion Group Notes application is being further enhanced and tested to track attendance as well as scheduled and canceled groups. Additionally, a report is being developed to track groups that are offered and refused. Current report data:

Group Participation

<u>Subtotal</u>	<u>Group Date</u>	<u>Group Name</u>	<u>Minutes</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Staff Name</u>	<u>Start Time</u> <u>UTC</u>	<u>End Time</u>	<u>Attendance</u>

- Timelines to Care** – Report is in the final phase of quality assurance testing. Includes the following data elements:

Mental Health Timelines to Care

<u>Start Date</u>	<u>Start Time</u>	<u>Completed Date</u>	<u>Completed Time</u>	<u>Encounter Date</u>	<u>Encounter Time</u>	<u>Encounter Description</u>	<u>Elapsed Time Frame</u>	<u>Order Status</u>	<u>Order Instructions</u>

- Suicide Precautions EHR form** – The most recent enhancements are in user acceptance testing and will be put into production upon approval. Enhancements include communication with custody jail management system to alert as to observation type, item/privilege restrictions, Danger to Self/Other:

Pre-Existing Summaries

Active Diagnoses: Pregnancy (ICD-V22.2) (ICD10-Z33.1)

Active Orders: SARS-CoV2 PCR, PHL [3080300]
Chlamydia/Gonorrhea Amplified NAAT, PHL [1010000]
Urine Pregnancy Test [UrinePReg]
OB/GYN Sick Call [obgynsc]

Initial Follow-Up
 Suicide Precautions Assessment Type:

Cleared APU Pre-admit
 Outcome of Assessment:

Grave Disability Grave Disability
 Danger to Self Danger to Self
 Danger to Others Danger to Others
 Reason for Outcome:

Constant Close
 Observation Type:

Close Observation: in-person observation occurs at staggered intervals not to exceed 15 mins.

Previous Housing Recc.: New Recc.: SITHU Suicide Resistant Cell

SITHU Open Bunk Area
 SITHU Suicide Resistant Cell
 New Housing Recommendation:

Item Restriction(s) Privilege Restriction(s)
 No Item Restriction(s) No Privilege Restriction(s)

ATIMS Flag Cleared
 ATIMS Flag

- Eyeglasses
- Personal Property
- Plastic Meal Tray (Styrofoam Tray Recommended)
- Plastic Utensils
- Reading Materials
- Toothbrush
- Writing Materials
- Other:

- Court
- Dayroom/Recreation
- Mail
- Supervised Showers
- Supervised use of shaver
- Supervised use of toothbrush
- Telephone Calls
- Visits
- Other:

- Confidential Contacts Report** – report in production to audit compliance with confidential MH contacts (See MH Encounters and Confidentiality Report above). Able to utilize study to highlight facility infrastructure limitations and other challenges that impede confidential services with patients Confidentiality data being tracked via the report:

Facility	Block	Cell	Bed	Confidentiality	Non Confidential Reason	Non Confidential Reason2	Interview Location
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- IV.D.8.a. – g. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

- Treatment Planning remains in PARTIAL COMPLIANCE due to staffing and titrating EOP services to entire MH caseload.
- MH established a workgroup to review treatment planning module in EHR and develop a workflow to guide staff in treatment planning requirements.
- Clinical Multidisciplinary Team (MDT) meetings began in IOP August 2021 with full implementation November 2021.
- IOP and EOP staff received training on completing treatment plans and MDTs in December 2021. Workflows were developed to help staff understand processes and policies.
- Provided training to staff on the process for completing MDT meetings and documenting patient’s absence at MDT in instances where patients refuse to attend.
- Comprehensive treatment plans utilizing the EHR template were implemented for EOP patients in March 2021.
- Prescribers began attending EOP MDTs in March 2023.
- Began training SSO Custody working in MH programs on the MH Adaptive Support Program (November 2022).
- MH updated the treatment planning workflow and training to ensure all staff were utilizing the treatment planning module appropriately and identifying treatment goals, interventions and objectives.
- MH completed baseline study of MDTs and treatment planning in IOP and APU:

Summary: January 2023 – March 2023

Programs	Charts with MDT	Charts with Treatment Plan	MDT References Treatment Goals	MDT and Treatment Plan Completed on Same Date
APU	13/15 (87%)	1/15 (6%)	1/15 (6%)	1/15 (6%)
IOP (Main Jail)	15/15 (100%)	15/15 (100%)	10/15 (67%)	1/15 (6%)
IOP (RCCC)	15/15 (100%)	15/15 (100%)	15/15 (100%)	4/15 (27%)

- In August 2023, the MH QA Supervisor began observing and auditing IOP MDTs to identify strengths, challenges and barriers of MDT process and staff coordination and completion of all MDT requirements.
- Social work clinicians were imbedded on the APU in January 2023. MH anticipates that treatment planning and MDT compliance will increase in the next review period.

Medication Administration and Monitoring

(Section IV; Provisions E.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

E. Medication Administration and Monitoring

1. The County shall develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure that all medications are appropriately prescribed, stored, controlled, dispensed, and administered in accordance with all applicable laws and through the following:
 - a) The County shall ensure that initial doses of prescribed medications are delivered to inmates within 48 hours of the prescription, unless it is clinically required to deliver the medication sooner;
 - b) The County shall make best efforts to verify a patient's prescribed medications and current treatment needs at intake, including outreach to pharmacies and community providers to request prescriptions and other health care records relating to ongoing care needs. The policy shall ensure that any ongoing medication, or a clinically appropriate alternative, shall be provided within 48 hours of verification of the prescription or from a determination by a physician that the medication is medically necessary. Any orders that cannot be reconciled or verified, such as those with conflicting prescriptions from multiple prescribers, shall be referred to a health care provider for reconciliation or verification the next clinic day after booking.
 - c) The County shall ensure that medical staff who administer medications to inmates document in the inmate's Medical Administration Record (1) name and dosage of each dispensed medication, (2) each date and time medication is administered, and (3) the date and time for any refusal of medication.
2. Qualified mental health professionals shall, for each individual patient, establish targets for treatment with respect to the use of psychotropic medication and shall assess and document progress toward those targets at each clinical visit.
3. Qualified mental health professionals shall, for each individual patient, monitor and document the following with respect to psychotropic medications: (1) levels of medications, (2) adverse impacts (including through renal and liver function tests where indicated), (3) side effects, and (4) efficacy.
4. Qualified mental health professionals shall, for each individual patient, conduct and document baseline studies, including ECG, blood, urine, and other studies, as clinically appropriate, prior to the initiation of treatment.
5. The County shall provide sufficient nursing and custody staffing to ensure timely delivery and administration of medication.

6. Medication adherence checks that serve a clinical function shall be conducted by nursing staff, not custody staff. Custody staff shall conduct mouth checks when necessary to ensure institutional safety and security.
7. Psychiatric prescribers shall consider clinically indicated considerations and conduct an in-person consultation, with the patient prior to changing or initiating medications. In the event there is no in-person consultation before prescribing or changing medications the psychiatric prescriber shall note and document the reasons for why there was not an in-person consultation with the patient.

Policies:

- ACH PP 04-17 Medication Administration (revised 03/03/23) – *Final*
- MH PP 03-04 Psychiatric Prescriber Duties (10/05/23) - *Final*
- MH PP 03-06 Acute Psychiatric Unit – Psychiatrist Responsibilities (11/30/22) - *Final*
- MH PP 07-03 Use of Benzodiazepines (08/15/23) *Final*
- MH PP 09-04 Administration of Involuntary Psychotropic Medication (revision 08/15/23) *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- IV.E.1.a. and c. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has developed and implemented policies and procedures to ensure that all medications are appropriately prescribed, stored, controlled, dispensed, and administered in accordance with all applicable laws.
 - ACH staff document all required medication administration information in the MAR.
- IV.E.1b. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

Reporting Period	Verified Medication within 48 hours
01/01/2023-02/28/2023	52/67 (78%)
03/01/2023 – 05/31/2023	63/79 (80%)
06/01/2023 – 08/31/2023	51/63 (81%)

- MH verified **100% (63/63)** of medications for all referrals.
 - On average, MH verified **81% (51/63)** of medications within 48 hours. This is a 1% increase from the last reporting period average of 80% (63/79). 12 patients' community MH medications were not verified within 48 hours, however, 50% (6/12) of those patients' medication was verified within 72 hours.
- IV.E.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Qualified mental health professionals establish targets for treatment with respect to the use of psychotropic medication and shall assess and document progress toward those targets at each clinical visit.
 - QMHPs establish targets for treatment with respect to psychotropic medication and assess and document progress toward those targets at each clinical visit.
 - MDT meetings in APU and IOP settings include targets for treatment with respect to the use of psychotropic medication and assessment of progress towards those targets.
 - Established a MH Prescriber Meeting in August 2021 to improve communication, patient care practices, and standards related to the Consent Decree.
 - Prescribers began attending EOP MDTs in March 2023.
 - MH hired an NP Supervisor in 11/2023 to oversee clinical activities of NP staff.
- IV.E.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Qualified mental health professionals monitor and document the following with respect to psychotropic medications: (1) levels of medications, (2) adverse impacts (including through renal and liver function tests where indicated), (3) side effects, and (4) efficacy.
 - QMHPs monitor and document levels of medications, and adverse impacts, order labs, and document side effects and treatment efficacy as appropriate.
- IV.E.4. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Qualified mental health professionals conduct and document baseline studies, including ECG, blood, urine, and other studies, as clinically appropriate, prior to the initiation of treatment.
 - Psychotropic treatment may be started prior to labs for a variety of reasons including emergency need, patient noncompliance, phlebotomist unavailability or other security issues within the facility.
- IV.E.5. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

- All RNs and LVNs have been cross-trained to administer medications allowing RNs to fill critical staffing shortages and avoid medication administration delays. A minimum number of staff has been established in order to cover pill call and when there are shortages, RNs will assist to ensure coverage.
- Medication administration times shall outline acceptable dosing times to ensure timely delivery of medications.
- Established distribution areas to ensure efficient delivery of medications.
- Staffing matrix has been developed to reflect 12 hour shifts to maximize staffing.
- During this reporting period, ACH management met with the LVN Union to make necessary changes to medication administration schedules to achieve substantial compliance. Required meetings have occurred, and a Notice was sent out to all LVN's assigned to medication administration on 12/12/23 informing them that they will be moving to the day shift. Both BID medication administration times will occur on the dayshift in order to ensure safer medication practices and an abundance of staff to cover medication administration.
- ACH leadership and SSO leadership have met multiple times to coordinate medication administration efforts. The Main Jail Captain wrote his operations order to align with the ACH workflow. This ensures SSO and nursing staff have the same information which creates less confusion and/or conflict.
- Training on the new medication administration workflow took place at a nursing all staff meeting on 12/20/23.
- Hiring efforts have significantly increased.
- IV.E.6. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Medication adherence checks that serve a clinical function are required to be conducted by nursing staff, not custody staff. In-person observation audits have begun, and QI will work on additional review tools in the next monitoring period as well as in-person audits on medication administration and mouth-check adherence.
- IV.E.7. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Psychiatric prescribers consider clinically indicated considerations and conduct an in-person consultation with the patient prior to changing or initiating medications. In the event, there is no in-person consultation before prescribing or changing medications the psychiatric prescriber documents the reasons why there was not an in-person consultation with the patient.
 - Telepsychiatric visits may occur due to a variety of reasons and medications may be restarted when confirmed from community/ other collateral or as clinically indicated.

Placement Conditions, Privileges, and Programming

(Section IV; Provisions F.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

F. Placement, Conditions, Privileges, and Programming

1. Placement:

- a) It shall be the policy of the County to place and treat all prisoners on the mental health caseload in the least restrictive setting appropriate to their needs.
- b) Placement in and discharge from Designated Mental Health Units shall be determined by qualified mental health professionals, with consultation with custody staff as appropriate.
- c) Absent emergency circumstances, the County shall obtain the assent of qualified mental health professionals before transferring prisoners with SMI into or out of Designated Mental Health Units.
- d) It shall be the policy of the County to place prisoners with SMI in appropriate settings that ensure provision of mental health services, patient safety, and the facilitation of appropriate programs, activities, and out-of-cell time. Co-housing with other populations shall be avoided to the extent that such a practice prevents or hinders any of the above.
- e) All patients requiring placement in a Designated Mental Health Unit shall be provided access to such placement and care based on current clinical need and without any requirement for director-level approval.

2. Programming and Privileges

- a) All Designated Mental Health Units shall offer a minimum of 7 hours of unstructured out-of-cell time per week and 10 hours of structured out-of-cell time per week for each prisoner. While out-of-cell hours per prisoner may vary from day to day, each prisoner will be offered some amount of out-of-cell time every day of the week. All treatment and out-of-cell time shall be documented for each prisoner, and reviewed as part of Quality Assurance procedures.
- b) The County shall ensure that prisoners on the mental health caseload have access and opportunity to participate in jail programming, work opportunities, and education programs, consistent with individual clinical input.
- c) The County shall develop and implement, in the 2P inpatient unit and the IOP unit, a program for progressive privileges (including time out of cell, property allowances, etc.) for patients as they demonstrate behavioral progress. A patient's level of privileges and restrictions shall be based on both clinical and custody input regarding current individual needs. The County shall ensure a process to review custody classification factors when necessary, so that placement, privileges, and restrictions match current individual circumstances and needs.
- d) Individuals on a mental health caseload shall receive, at minimum, privileges consistent with their classification levels, absent specific, documented factors which necessitate the withholding of such privileges. Clinical staff shall be informed of the withholding of privileges and the reasons for the withdrawal shall be documented and regularly reviewed by clinical and custody staff. The restoration of privileges shall occur at the earliest time appropriate based on individual factors.
- e) Where a prisoner in a Designated Mental Health Unit is subject to any restrictions of property, privileges, or out-of-cell time, the mental health treatment provider and Multi-Disciplinary Treatment Team will, on a weekly basis, assess and discuss with the prisoner progress and compliance with the prisoner's individual case plan. This process will include clinical contact in a private, face-to-face, out-of-cell setting. The Multi-Disciplinary Treatment Team will provide input to classification staff regarding the prisoner's mental health and appropriateness for removal of imposed restrictions. Classification staff will follow the recommendation of the Multi-Disciplinary Treatment Team to remove restrictions unless there is a clear, documented security reason to maintain the restriction.

3. Conditions:

- a) Staff shall provide prisoners in Designated Mental Health Units with the opportunity to maintain cell cleanliness and the opportunity to meet their hygiene needs. Custody and clinical staff shall provide assistance to prisoners on these matters, as appropriate to individual patient needs
- b) The County shall ensure uniformity of practice with respect to cell searches, such that searches are not done for punitive or harassment reasons. The County shall monitor whether cell search practices may be serving as a disincentive for prisoners in Designated Mental Health Units to leave their cells for treatment or other out-of-cell activities, and shall take steps to address the issue as appropriate.

4. Bed planning:
 - c) The County shall provide a sufficient number of beds in Designated Mental Health Unit, at all necessary levels of clinical care and levels of security, to meet the needs of the population of prisoners with SMI.
 - d) The County shall conduct a bed needs assessment, to be updated as appropriate, in order to determine demand for each category of Designated Mental Health Unit beds and shall ensure timely access to all levels of mental health care, consistent with individual treatment needs.
 - e) The County shall establish mental health programming for women that ensures timely access to all levels of care and is equivalent to the range of services offered to men.
5. General Exclusion of Prisoners with Serious Mental Illness from Segregation
 - a) Prisoners with Serious Mental Illness will not be housed in Segregation units, except in rare cases where the prisoner presents an immediate danger or significant disruption to the therapeutic setting, and there is no reasonable alternative, in which cases the provisions of Section VIII.D of the Segregation/Restrictive Housing Remedial Plan shall apply.
 - b) Where prisoners with a mental health condition meeting criteria for placement in a Designated Mental Health Unit are assessed a Disciplinary Segregation term, they will serve the term in a Designated Mental Health Unit, except in rare cases where the prisoner presents an immediate danger or significant disruption to the therapeutic setting, and shall receive structured out-of-cell time and programming as determined by the Multi-Disciplinary Treatment Team.
6. Access to Care
 - a) The County shall designate and make available custody escorts for mental health staff in order to facilitate timely completion of appointments and any other clinical contacts or treatment-related events.
 - b) The County shall ensure sufficient and suitable treatment and office space for mental health care services, including the Triage Navigator Program and other mental health-related services provided on site at the Jail.
 - c) Locations shall be arranged in advance for all scheduled clinical encounters.
 - d) The County shall track and document all completed, delayed, and canceled mental health appointments, including reasons for delays and cancelations. Such documentation shall be reviewed as part of the Quality Assurance process.

e) Referrals and triage:

- i. The County shall maintain a staff referral process (custody and medical) and a kite system for prisoners to request mental health services. Referrals by staff or prisoners must be triaged within 24 hours.
- ii. Referrals and requests for mental health services shall be handled in accordance with the following timeframes, and based on the definitions and guidance in Exhibit A-2:
 - Prisoners with “Must See” (Emergent) mental health needs shall be seen for assessment or treatment by a qualified mental health professional as soon as possible, and within six (6) hours. Prisoners with emergent mental health needs shall be monitored through continuous observation until evaluated by a mental health professional.
 - Prisoners with Priority (Urgent) mental health needs shall be seen for assessment or treatment by a qualified mental health professional within 36 hours.
 - Prisoners with Routine mental health needs shall be seen for assessment or treatment by a qualified mental health professional within two (2) weeks;
 - Prisoners whose requests do not require formal clinical assessment or intervention shall be issued a written response, with steps taken to ensure effective communication.

Policies:

- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (11/16/21) – *Final*
- MH PP 01-10 Access to Mental Health Services (07/12/22) – *Final*
- MH PP 04-01 Intensive Outpatient Program (03/24/23) – *Final*
- MH PP 04-04 Outpatient Mental Health Services and Levels of Care (06/08/23) – *Final*
- MH PP 04-09 Acute Psychiatric Unit – Admission, Programming and Discharge (11/22/23) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- IV.F.1.a. – e. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - This area remains in PARTIAL COMPLIANCE due to insufficient APU and IOP beds which prevent placing some patients on the MH caseload in the least restrictive setting appropriate to their needs.
 - MH determines placement and discharge from Designated Mental Health Units (DMHU).

- Absent emergency circumstances, custody obtains consent of MH before transferring patients with SMI out of DMHU.
- Patients requiring placement in a DMHU do not require director level approval.
- Developed a plan and process with SSO Custody to ensure MH is determining which patients are placed in Outpatient Psychiatric Pod (OPP) housing.
- Coordinated with SSO Custody to update Custody's classification form to better communicate MH recommendations regarding housing of patients served by MH.
- Established single-cell housing unit on 3E for patients with SMI who require a single-cell due to clinical or behavioral factors.
- IV.F.2.a. – e. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - IOP offers 10 hours of structured out-of-cell time per week to each patient.
 - MH placed three social work staff on the APU which has increased structured out-of-cell time. APU offers 19 hours of group therapy/programming per week day.
 - MH determines the level of privileges and restrictions for patients in the APU. Any removal or reinstatement of privileges, property or clothing is by MD order and follows LPS Denial and Restoration of Patient's Rights requirements.
 - IOP patients who are subject to restrictions of property, privileges, or out-of-cell time are placed on an Alternative Treatment Plan. The multidisciplinary team meets daily to discuss the patient's progress and the transition of the patient from ATP to general programming.
 - This area remains in PARTIAL COMPLIANCE due to SSO developing reporting for tracking of out-of-cell time.
- IV.F.3.a. – b. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH and Custody assist patients in the IOP and APU with maintaining cell cleanliness and promoting personal hygiene.
- IV.F.4.a. – c. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Although IOP has significantly increased its bed capacity, PARTIAL COMPLIANCE due to insufficient APU and IOP beds.
 - MH provides mental health programming and access to all levels of care to female patients. MH recently increased female IOP beds from 8 to 23. APU and EOP services are also provided to female patients.
 - Planning meetings are in place for the Intake Health Services Facility (IHSF) building which will substantially increase our bed capacity for patients with mental health needs.
- IV.F.5.a. – b. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Multidisciplinary Intervention Plans are utilized in OPP and EOP to address significant or dangerous behaviors or significant disruptions to the therapeutic milieu.

- Patients housed in IOP or APU are not placed in disciplinary segregation. Patients unable to program or engaging in assaultive behaviors or posing a security concern will be placed on an Alternative Treatment Plan. Daily meetings are held with the treatment team to determine interventions and transition the patient back to general programming.
- IV.F.6.a. – e. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - IOP and APU have designated custody support to facilitate clinical contacts and treatment-related activities.
 - Patients may request mental health services through an HSR.
 - Patients are provided a written response after submitting an HSR.
 - MH completed audits of emergent referral timelines to care and identified opportunities for improving overall timeliness to care.

Sobering Cell or Segregation Cell Placements with Emergent Referral to MH

(* Previously Reported: Jun-Nov 2022)

Month	Sobering/Segregation Cell Placements	Seen w/in 6 Hours	Not Seen w/in 6- Hour Timeline to Care	Avg Response Time
June 2022	59	32/59 (54%)	27/59 (46%)	5.8 hrs.
July 2022	59	35/59 (59%)	24/59 (41%)	6.0 hrs.
August 2022	40	18/40 (45%)	22/40 (55%)	7.3 hrs.
September 2022	62	37/62 (60%)	25/62 (40%)	5.7 hrs.
October 2022	34	16/34 (47%)	18/34 (53%)	6.8 hrs.
November 2022	46	34/46 (74%)	12/46 (26%)	4.7 hrs.
December 2022	41	26/41 (63%)	15/41 (37%)	4.9 hrs
Jan 2023	43	27/43 (63%)	16/43 (37%)	6.2 hrs.
Feb 2023	48	30/48 (62%)	18/48 (38%)	6 hrs.

Safety Cell Placement with Emergent Referral to MH (* Previously Reported: Jun-Nov 2022)

Month	Safety Cell Placements	Seen w/in 4 Hours	Seen w/in 6 Hours	Not Seen w/in 4- or 6-Hour Timeline to Care	Avg Response Time
June 2022	18	6/18 (33%)	2/18 (11%)	10/18 (55%)	6.7 hrs.
July 2022	16	4/16 (25%)	6/16 (37.5%)	6/16 (37.5%)	6.0 hrs.
August 2022	11	4/11 (36%)	0/10 (0%)	7/11 (64%)	6.7 hrs.
September 2022	17	9/17 (53%)	2/17 (12%)	6/17 (35%)	5.5 hrs.
October 2022	10	4/10 (40%)	1/10 (10%)	5/10 (50%)	5.9 hrs.
November 2022	12	6/12 (50%)	3/12 (25%)	3/12 (25%)	4.6 hrs.
December 2022	17	8/17 (47%)	4/17 (24%)	5/17 (29%)	4.7 hrs.
Jan 2023	13	6/13 (46%)	2/13 (15%)	5/13 (38%)	5 hrs.
Feb 2023	7	3/7 (42%)	2/7 (29%)	2/7 (29%)	4.9 hrs.

Emergent Referrals January 2021 – February 2023

2021

Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
301	202	264	268	291	293	286	337	383	369	426	467

2022

Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
496	421	622	644	723	686	824	845	992	1267	1075	1213

2023

Jan	Feb
1121	1032

- MHs overall average response time for emergent referrals of patients in Safety, Segregation and Sobering cells in **December was 4.8 hours, January was 5.6 hours and February was 5.5 hours.** Significant increase in emergent referrals over the past year. **145% increase** between February 2022 and February 2023.

Medico-Legal Practices

(Section IV; Provisions G.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

G. Medico-Legal Practices

1. The County shall provide access to appropriate inpatient psychiatric beds to all patients who meet WIC § 5150 commitment criteria. At the time a patient’s need for inpatient care is identified, commitment paperwork shall be initiated immediately. Placement in an inpatient unit shall occur at the earliest possible time, and in all cases within 24 hours. For individual prisoners placed on a pre-admit or wait list for inpatient placement, affirmative steps to process and place them shall begin immediately.
2. The County shall not discharge patients from the LPS unit and immediately readmit them for the purpose of circumventing LPS Act requirements. For patients with continuing need for LPS commitment, the County shall follow all required procedures under the LPS Act.
3. The County shall review all County and JPS policies and procedures for PREA compliance, and revise them as necessary to address all mental health-related requirements.

Policies:

- ACH PP 05-21 Restraints and Seclusion – Joint policy (revised 05/09/22) – *Final*
- MH PP 04-07 Acute Inpatient Unit - Precautions and Observation (06/22/22) - *Final*
- MH PP 09-02 Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Conservatorship (04/17/20)- *Final*
- MH PP 09-04 Administration of Involuntary Psychotropic Medication (revision 08/15/23) - *Final*
- MH PP 09-05 Informed Consent-Acute Inpatient Unit (revision 9/29/23) - *Pending review by Mental Health Expert*
- MH PP 09-06 Patient’s Rights (10/07/21) – *Final*
- MH PP 09-07 Denial of Patient’s Rights (08/06/21) - *Final*
- MH PP 09-08 Prison Rape Elimination Act (08/06/21) - *In ACMH Review*
- MH PP 09-11 Involuntary Detainment Advisement (11/21/22) – *Final*

See “Policies and Procedures (Provision A.)” for a list of policies and status.

Compliance Status by Section:

- IV.G.1. NON-COMPLIANT

- This area remains non-compliant due to insufficient APU beds which prevents placing some patients on the MH caseload in the least restrictive setting appropriate to their needs.
- MH provides access to inpatient psychiatric beds to patients who meet WIC § 5150 commitment criteria. Should a patient be unable to access the inpatient unit due to being filled, they receive daily status checks from outpatient services and receive mental health care, including psychiatric medications, while waiting for admission.
- APU Involuntary Detention Audit

Summary Period: July 2023 – September 2023 (does not include 1370s and voluntary)

Month	Total Patients	5150	5250	5270
July	25	25	20	8
August	24	24	17	10
September	23	23	18	8
Total	72	72	55	26

Previously Reported: January 2023 – June 2023 (does not include 1370s and voluntary)

Month	Total Patients	5150	5250	5270
January	21	21	13	5
February	20	20	12	4
March	26	26	9	5
April	23	23	16	2
May	26	26	9	7
June	23	23	14	7
Total	139	139	73	30

- Plans are active in construction of new annex building which will include new and expanded inpatient beds. Discussions continue with County leadership to find additional beds in the community or additional space to be designated at either facility to assist with the APU waitlist.

- IV.G.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

- MH follows all LPS Act requirements regarding LPS commitments and does not discharge and readmit patients to circumvent the LPS Act.

- IV.G.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

- ACH has reviewed all County and JPS policies and procedures for PREA compliance and revised them as necessary to address all mental health-related requirements.

Clinical Restraints and Seclusion

(Section IV; Provisions H.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

H. Clinical Restraints and Seclusion

1. Generally:

- a) It is the policy of the County to employ restraints and seclusion only when necessary and to remove restraints and seclusion as soon as possible.
- b) It is the policy of the County to employ clinical restraints and seclusion only when less restrictive alternative methods are not sufficient to protect the inmate-patient or others from injury. Clinical restraint and seclusion shall not be used as punishment, in place of treatment, or for the convenience of staff.
- c) The placement of a prisoner in clinical restraint or seclusion shall trigger an “emergent” mental health referral, and a qualified mental health professional shall evaluate the prisoner to assess immediate and/or long-term mental health treatment needs.
- d) When clinical restraints or seclusion are used, Jail staff will document justification for their application and the times of application and removal of restraints.
- e) There shall be no “as needed” or “standing” orders for clinical restraint or seclusion.
- f) Individuals in clinical restraints or on seclusion shall be on constant watch, or on constant video monitoring with direct visualization every 15 minutes. All checks will be documented.
- g) Fluids shall be offered at least every four hours and at meal times.

2. Clinical Restraints

- a) The opinion of a qualified health care professional or qualified mental health professional on placement and retention in restraints will be obtained within one hour from the time of placement.
- b) A thorough clinical assessment shall be conducted by qualified health care professional or qualified mental health professional every four hours to determine the need for continued restraint.
- c) Individuals in restraints shall be checked every two hours by a nurse for vital signs, neurovascular assessment, and limb range, and offered an opportunity for toileting.

3. Reentry Services

- a) The County shall provide a 30-day supply of current psychotropic medications to inmates on the mental health caseload, who have been sentenced and have a scheduled release date, immediately upon release.
- b) Within 24 hours of release of any inmate who is on the mental health caseload and classified as pre-sentence, the County shall transmit to a designated County facility a prescription for a 30-day supply of the inmate's current psychotropic medications.
- c) The County, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, develop and implement a reentry services policy governing the provision of assistance to prisoners on the mental health caseload, including outpatient referrals and appointments, public benefits, medical insurance, housing, substance abuse treatment, parenting and family services, inpatient treatment, and other reentry services.
- d) The County agrees that, during the course of the implementation of the remedial plans contained in this agreement, it will consider Plaintiffs' input on measures to prevent unnecessary or avoidable incarceration of individuals with serious mental illness.

Policies:

- ACH PP 05-21 Restraints and Seclusion – Joint policy (revised 05/09/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 04-10 Discharge Medication (10/29/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- IV.H.1.a. – g. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH only employs restraints and seclusion when clinically necessary and removes restraints and seclusion as soon as possible.
- IV.H.2.a. – c. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH does not utilize “as needed” or “standing” orders for clinical restraint and seclusion.

- MH actively utilizes de-escalation and less restrictive means prior to initiating clinical restraints and only when other interventions are not sufficient to protect the patient or others from injury. MH rarely employs clinical restraints on the APU. Summary of Clinical Restraints 2022-September 2023:

Summary: January 2022 – September 2023

Year	APU Clinical Restraints
2022	1
2023	1

- MH never uses clinical restraint or seclusion as a punishment, in place of treatment, or for the convenience of staff. Hourly documentation of clinical restraints and seclusion includes justification, time of application, monitoring of restraints, patient assessment and range of motion, opportunity for toileting, circulation checks, patient presentation, discussion with patient regarding behaviors necessary for release from restraints, rationale for not removing restraints and offering of food and fluids every two hours.
- IV.H.3.a. – d. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Staff provide sentenced patients a 30-day supply of prescribed medications upon release. Presentenced patients may obtain a prescription for a 30-day supply of medication at the County Primary Care Pharmacy. See Reentry Services (Provision Q.) for further detail.
 - MH continues to meet regularly with County Behavioral Health to refine the referral process for community-based mental health services. A report was developed to capture the projected release date and level of care to identify patients with SMI and release dates within 6 weeks.

Training

(Section IV; Provisions I.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

I. Training

1. The County shall develop and implement, in collaboration with Plaintiffs' counsel, training curricula and schedules in accordance with the following:
 - a) All jail custody staff shall receive formal training in mental health, which shall encompass mental health policies, critical incident response, crisis intervention techniques, recognizing different types of mental illness, interacting with prisoners with mental illness, appropriate referral practices, suicide and self-harm detection and preventions, relevant bias and cultural competency issues, and confidentiality standards. Training shall be received every two years, at minimum.
 - b) Custody staff working in Designated Mental Health Units shall receive additional training, including additional information on mental illness, special medico-legal considerations, de-escalation techniques, working with individuals with mental health needs, relevant bias and cultural competency issues, and the jail's mental health treatment programs.
 - c) Mental health staff shall receive training on the correctional mental health system, correctional mental health policies, suicide assessment and intervention, relevant bias and cultural competency issues, and treatment modalities to be offered in the jails.

Policies:

- ACH PP 03-08 Staff Development and Training (revision 03/03/23)

Compliance Status by Section:

- IV.I.1.a. – c. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH provides training to custody staff working in designated mental health housing units: Understanding Mental Health Symptoms in the Correctional Setting (Custody specific training)

- Began training custody staff working in MH programs on the MH Adaptive Support Program (November 2022).
- MH provided Planned Use Of Force with Mental Health Patients to custody staff in IOP, APU, JBCT, and the CERT teams and Sgts in November 2022 and May – June 2023.
- MH has a training coordinator who monitors training compliance.
- Training was developed and provided on the following:
 - i. Treatment Planning and MDT Meetings
 - ii. Brain Development/Intellectual Disability
 - iii. Effective Communication/ADA
 - iv. Consent Decree
 - v. 5150 Certification
 - vi. Prison Rape Elimination Act
 - vii. Understanding Mental Health Symptoms in the Correctional Setting (Custody specific training)
 - viii. WPATH Transgender Care
 - ix. MH Adaptive Support Plan
 - x. Suicide Prevention – 2-Hour Training
 - xi. Suicide Prevention – 4-Hour Training
 - xii. Suicide Risk Assessment
 - xiii. Planned Use of Force and De-escalation
 - xiv. Updated Safety Planning Training (January 2023)
 - xv. MH RVR and Segregation Assessments
 - xvi. Cultural Intelligence in Healthcare: The Impact of Unconscious/Implicit Bias in Healthcare (October 2023)
- ACH leadership was able to procure a guest trainer on the topic of “Documentation Practices and Litigation” who has been featured at the National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCCHC). Attorney Doug Bitner is an attorney who has defended the County in over 2000 cases regarding inmate-patient lawsuits. He provided a tailored training for Sacramento County Jail staff on the importance of documentation. This training will be included as part of new employee onboarding.

V. Disciplinary Measures and Use of Force for Prisoners with Mental Health or Intellectual Disabilities

Role of Mental Health Staff In Disciplinary Process (Section V; Provision A.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

A. Role of Mental Health Staff in Disciplinary Process

1. The County's policies and procedures shall require meaningful consideration of the relationship of a prisoner's behavior to any mental health or intellectual disability, the efficacy of disciplinary measures versus alternative interventions, and the impact of disciplinary measures on the health and well-being of prisoners with disabilities.
2. Prisoners who are alleged to have committed a rules violation shall be reviewed by a qualified mental health professional if any of the following apply:
 - a) Prisoner is housed in any Designated Mental Health Unit;
 - b) Jail staff have reason to believe the prisoner's behavior was unusual, uncharacteristic, or a possible manifestation of mental illness;
 - c) Prisoner is on the mental health caseload and may lose good time credit as a consequence of the disciplinary infraction with which he or she is charged.
3. If any of the above criteria is met, the qualified mental health professional shall complete the form attached as Exhibit A-3 (JPS-Rules Violation Mental Health Review) and indicate:
 - a) Whether or not the reported behavior was related to mental illness, adaptive functioning deficits, or other disability;
 - b) Whether the prisoner's behavior is, or may be, connected to any of the following circumstances:
 - i. An act of self-harm or attempted suicide
 - ii. A cell extraction related to transfer to a medical/mental health unit or provision of involuntary treatment
 - iii. Placement in clinical restraints or seclusion.
 - c) Any other mitigating factors regarding the prisoner's behavior, disability, and/or circumstances that should be considered and whether certain sanctions should be avoided in light of the prisoner's mental health disability or intellectual disability, treatment plan, or adaptive support needs.

Policies:

- ACH PP 05-21 Restraints and Seclusion – Joint Policy (revision 08/29/22) – *Final*
- MH PP 07-05 Mental Health Evaluations for Planned Use of Force (12/16/21) – *Final*
- MH PP 07-06 Mental Health Rules Violation Review (01/05/22) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- V.A.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH policies and procedures contain meaningful consideration of the relationship of a patient’s behavior to any mental health or intellectual disability, the efficacy of disciplinary measures versus alternative interventions, and the impact of disciplinary measures on the health and well-being of patients with disabilities.
- V.A.2. a. – c. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Custody consults MH staff concerning disciplinary measures when a patient is located in MH housing.
 - MH collaborated with SSO Custody on development of an Rule Violation Review (RVR) and Administrative Segregation referral form and trained custody on the referral process and workflow for Administrative Segregation assessments (December 2021).
 - MH and SSO continue to meet and refine the referral process and update the RVR and Administrative Segregation referral form to ensure referrals are received timely and tracked appropriately.
 - MH received budget approval FY 2022/23 for additional clinicians to support RVR and Administrative Segregation reviews, assessments, and recommendations. MH continues to actively recruit for these positions. As of November 2023, a supervisor and four clinicians have been hired.
 - Due to some MH RVR vacancies being filled, MH has increased the number of RVRs completed.
 - MH completed an audit of MH RVR and Administrative Segregation Referrals for a period of January – September 2023 and identified areas for improvement in coordination with SSO.

Summary: RVR/Ad Seg Referrals and Assessments for Main Jail and RCCC (July – September 2023)

Month	# Main Jail RVR/Ad Seg Referrals	# Main Jail RVR/Ad Seg Criteria Not Met/Released/Disc Already Imposed	# Main Jail RVR/Ad Seg Assessments Completed	# RCCC RVR/Ad Seg Referrals	# RCCC RVR/Ad Seg Criteria Not Met/Released/Disc Already Imposed	# RCCC RVR/Ad Seg Assessments Completed

July 2023	104	40	64/64(100%)	12	3	7/9(78%)
August 2023	120	61	43/59(73%)	24	3	18/21(86%)
September 2023	115	40	72/75(96%)	15	1	9/14(64%)
TOTAL	339	141	179/198(90%)	51	7	34/44(77%)

Previously Reported Data: RVR Assessments for Main Jail and RCCC (January – June 2023)

Month	# Main Jail RVR/Ad Seg Referrals	# Main Jail RVR/Ad Seg Criteria Not Met/Released/Disc Already Imposed	# Main Jail RVR Assessments Completed	# RCCC RVR Referrals	# RCCC RVR/Ad Seg Criteria Not Met/Released/Disc Already Imposed	# RCCC RVR Assessments Completed
January 2023	58	14	41/44 (93%)	8	4	1/4 (25%)
February 2023	69	37	22/32 (69%)	72	4	2/68 (3%)
March 2023	75	23	13/52 (25%)	43	19	5/24 (21%)
April 2023	46	10	31/36(86%)	6	0	4/6(67%)
May 2023	52	10	42/42(100%)	47	6	17/41(41%)
June 2023	61	15	46/46(100%)	20	1	9/19(47%)
TOTAL	361	109	195/252(77%)	196	34	38/162(23%)

Findings July-September 2023:

- There were **339** RVR/Ad Seg referrals at Main Jail, an increase of 180 referrals from last reporting period.
- Main Jail completed **90% (179/198)** of MH RVR referrals this report period.
- There were a total of **51** RVR/Ad Seg referrals at the RCCC.
- RCCC completed **77% (34/44)** of MH RVR referrals this report period, a 32% increase from last report period.
 - MH began completing Administrative Segregation assessments for patients on MH caseload in November 2022. As of November 2023 all patients placed in Administrative Segregation.
- V.A.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH completes the MH RVR form for every patient assessed for a rules violation. The review form was developed in consultation with Class Counsel and SME and incorporates all of the above assessment factors.
 - See V.A.2. a. – c.

Use of Force for Prisoners with Mental Health or Intellectual Disabilities

(Section V; Provision D.4.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

D. Use of Force for Prisoners with Mental Health or Intellectual Disabilities

4. Prior to any planned Use of Force, such as a cell extraction, against a prisoner with mental health or intellectual disabilities, there will be a “cooling down period,” consistent with safety and security needs. This period includes a structured attempt by mental health staff (and other staff if appropriate), to de-escalate the situation and to reach a resolution without Use of Force. Such efforts, including the use of adaptive supports, will be documented in writing. Medical and/or mental health staff should be consulted if the purpose of the cell extraction is related to the delivery of treatment.

• **V.D.4. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE**

- Prior to any planned Use of Force, such as a cell extraction, against a prisoner with mental health or intellectual disabilities, there will be a “cooling down period,” consistent with safety and security needs. This period includes a structured attempt by mental health staff (and other staff if appropriate), to deescalate the situation and to reach a resolution without Use of Force. Such efforts, including the use of adaptive supports, will be documented in writing. Medical and/or mental health staff should be consulted if the purpose of the cell extraction is related to the delivery of treatment.
- MH and SSO collaborated to develop a referral process for Planned UOF incidents with implementation in May 2023.
- MH implemented training for clinicians UOF policy and MH’s role in Planned UOF incidents in November 2022.
- MH provided Planned Use of Force with Mental Health Patients training to custody staff in IOP, APU, JBCT and the CERT teams and Sgts in November 2022 and May – June 2023.
- MH and SSO Custody have met this monitoring period to discuss planned UOF in order to develop a multidisciplinary approach to address UOF incidents.
- MH responds to custody referrals for Planned UOF incidents.
- This area remains in PARTIAL COMPLIANCE due to SSO Custody referral process and coordination with MH.

Training & Quality Assurance

(Section V; Provision E.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

E. Training and Quality Assurance

1. All custody staff, and mental health staff, shall be trained on the policies and procedures outlined herein that are relevant to their job and classification requirements. Custody staff will receive periodic training on identifying behaviors that may be manifestations of mental illness and other situations warranting a referral to mental health staff, including for a Rules Violation Mental Health Review or other mental health assessment.
2. All custody staff shall be trained on the identification of symptoms of mental illness, the provision of adaptive supports, and the use of de-escalation methods appropriate for prisoners with mental health or intellectual disabilities.
3. The County shall track the outcomes of all disciplinary hearings for prisoners who are on the mental health caseload or who have intellectual disabilities, including whether the recommendation of the mental health professional was followed.
4. The County shall track all Uses of Force (planned and reactive) involving prisoners who are on the mental health caseload or who have intellectual disabilities, including the number of Uses of Force and the number of cell extractions by facility.
5. The County shall implement a continuous quality assurance/quality improvement plan to periodically audit disciplinary and Use of Force practices as they apply to prisoners who are on the mental health caseload or who have intellectual disabilities.

Policies:

- ACH PP 05-21 Restraints and Seclusion – Joint Policy (revision 08/29/22) – *Final*
- MH PP 07-05 Mental Health Evaluations for Planned Use of Force (12/16/21) – *Final*
- MH PP 07-06 Mental Health Rules Violation Review (01/05/22) – *Final*
- MH PP 07-07 Mental Health Adaptive Support Program (06/15/22) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- E.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - All mental health staff have been trained on the policies and procedures listed above relevant to their job and classification requirements.
- E.2. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

- MH added training module for all staff, including deputies, to follow the 4-hour Suicide Prevention Training. This will ensure all new employees receive training on understanding and working with patients who have a mental health disorder.

VI. MEDICAL CARE

Class Counsel outlined five areas of focus for the monitoring period, including the intake screening, sick call system, chronic care, specialty care, and roll out of the new electronic health record (EHR) system.

Staffing

(Section VI; Provision A.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

A. Staffing

1. The County shall maintain sufficient medical, mental health and custody staffing to meet professional standards of care to execute the requirements of this remedial plan, including clinical staff, office and technological support, QA/QI units and custody staff for escorts and transportation.
2. Provider quality shall be evaluated regularly to ensure that relevant quality of care standards is maintained. This review shall be in addition to peer review and quality improvement processes described in this plan. The parties shall meet and confer regarding any deficiencies identified in the evaluation. Should the parties disagree regarding matters of provider quality, the Court Expert shall evaluate the quality of provider care and to complete a written report.

Policies:

- ACH 03-03 Hiring Process (06-12-19) - *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.A.1 PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

- The County has increased positions for Medical staff from **118.5** FTEs pre-Consent Decree in FY 2017/18 to **225.5** in FY 2023/24.
- County ACH Medical staff and Administrative FTEs has increased from **112.5** pre-Consent Decree to a total of **251.5** permanent allocated FTEs.
 - As of 12/13/23, the total vacancy rate for ACH Medical and Administrative staff is currently at **19%** - the highest number of vacancies are associated with the LVN and RN positions.
- Staffing Analysis:
 - ACH outlined current service functions requiring SSO Custody Escorts based on the level of current staffing and available spacing – sent email outlining to SSO Custody 04/04/23.
 - ACH is working on a more thorough Medical staffing analysis that will detail required healthcare functions to meet service demand and service need. Analysis will include a daily average of the following by facility (MJ/RCCC):
 - Service demand by service function (ex: # HSRs, NSC appts, PSC appts, Med, Detox Monitoring, Specialty appts/clinics onsite, etc.)
 - Staffing Discipline Type per service function
 - Productivity potential by service function per Staff Discipline (ex: # PSC appts/day, # NSC appts/day, etc.)
 - Space to provide service functions
 - Policy timeframe requirements by service function
 - ANALYSIS OUTCOME:
 - TOTAL staff by discipline per day required to meet service demand within policy timeframes.
 - TOTAL exam/service space to perform service functions within policy timeframes.
 - ACH will provide a copy of the Staffing Analysis outlining service functions requiring SSO Custody Escorts to meet service needs within policy timeframes to SSO Custody & court-appointed Experts.

- VI.A.2. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

- Provider quality is being evaluated by the Assistant and Interim Medical Directors during chart reviews pertaining to mortality reports, review of grievances, incident reports, class counsel SME inquiries, ER Send-Outs, and routine review of provider sick calls. Provider quality is also evaluated during the utilization review of specialty consults and

services.

- After chart reviews, when there is need for feedback/education, the Assistant or Interim Medical Director has been meeting one-on-one with the provider to accomplish such.
- In addition, if systemic issues are identified, they are discussed and addressed during monthly Provider meetings and/or emails are sent out to all providers.
- Systemic issues that can be addressed through EHR, policy, or workflow improvements are discussed and addressed at weekly Medical Operations meetings to make improvements to those areas.

Intake

(Section VI; Provision B.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

B. Intake

1. All prisoners who are to be housed shall be screened upon arrival in custody by Registered Nurses (RNs). RN screening shall take place prior to placement in jail housing.
2. Health Care intake screening shall take place in a setting that ensures confidentiality of communications between nurses and individual patients. Custody staff may maintain visual communication, unless security concerns based upon an individualized determination of risk that includes a consideration of requests by the health care staff that custody staff be closer at hand. There shall be visual and auditory privacy from other prisoners.
3. The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs, revise the content of its intake screening, medical intake screening, and special needs documentation to reflect community standards and ensure proper identification of medical and disability related concerns.
4. Nurses who perform intake screening shall consult any available electronic health care records from prior incarcerations or other county agencies. The form shall include a check box to confirm that such a review was done.
5. The County shall make best efforts to verify a patient's prescribed medications and current treatment needs at intake, including outreach to pharmacies and community providers to request prescriptions and other health records related to ongoing care needs. The policy shall ensure that any ongoing medication, or clinically appropriate alternative, shall be provided within 48 hours of verification or from a determination by a physician that the medication is medically necessary. Any orders that cannot be reconciled or verified, such as those with conflicting prescriptions from multiple providers, shall be referred to a health care provider for reconciliation or verification the next clinic day after booking.
6. The County shall follow a triage process in which intake nurses schedule patients for follow-up appointments based upon their medical needs and acuity at intake and shall not rely solely on patients to submit Health Services Requests once housed. The policy shall, in consultation with Plaintiff's counsel, establish clear protocols that include appropriate intervals of care based on clinical guidelines, and that intake nurses shall schedule follow-up appointments at the time of intake based upon those protocols.
7. All nurses who perform intake screenings will be trained annually on how to perform that function.

Policies:

- ACH PP 05-05 Nurse Intake (revision 12/01/22) - *Final*

- ACH PP 05-13 Initial History & Physical Assessment (revision 07/12/23) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.B.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - All patients booked into the Jails are screened upon arrival by a Registered Nurse prior to placement in jail housing.
- VI.B.2. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - In December 2022, the Intake Screening area in Booking was reconstructed for greater privacy/space.
 - Sound machines are currently being utilized in the intake area.
 - To meet SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE, the new Intake Health Services Facility (IHSF) will need to be completed.
 - An trailer was recently added at RCCC. This trailer will be designated for intakes, therefore reducing the impact at the Main Jail.
 - Currently in the process of making the trailer ADA compliant with the addition of a wheelchair lift and bathroom install).
- VI.B.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The Intake screening has been revised with all court-appointed expert's agreement and implemented and is in compliance with this requirement.
 - ACH's EHR has been updated to send automatic orders based on patient response to ensure needed care consistent with community standards.
 - ACH is following policy by ordering an initial H&P at intake for patients with chronic care issues, patients with SMI, and patients with substance use issues at risk for withdrawal.
 - Women are being referred to GYN clinic for pelvic exams when indicated.
- VI.B.4. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Nurses check the box in the EHR to confirm previous records were reviewed. QI has observed in-person Nursing Intake and found previous history is reviewed consistently, meeting this requirement.
- VI.B.5. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH Intake Nursing attempts to verify a patient's prescribed medications and current treatment needs at intake, including outreach to pharmacies and community providers to request prescriptions and other health care records relating to ongoing care needs. The Intake policy outlines that any ongoing medication, or a clinically appropriate

alternative, shall be provided within 48 hours of verification of the prescription or from a determination by a physician that the medication is medically necessary. Any orders that cannot be reconciled or verified, such as those with conflicting prescriptions from multiple prescribers, shall be referred to a health care provider for reconciliation or verification the next clinic day after booking.

- QI is also auditing to this provision and find that staff have maintained SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE in both the audit of August 2022 (100% compliance), February 2023 (96% compliance), and August 2023 (100% compliance) of meeting timeliness standards for patients receiving initial medications. See recent data from the Medication Initiation and Renewal Audit below.

Medication Initiation and Renewal			
Indicator	Data Period		
	08/17/22 (N=42)	02/16-17/23 (N=44)	08/16/23 (N=52)
Timely initial medication (<48 hours from order)	35/35 (100%)	23/24 (96%)	44/44 (100%)
Timely renewal (no missed doses)	6/7 (86%)	18/20 (90%)	5/8 (62%)

- VI.B.6. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

- The policies listed above are consistent with this requirement and were implemented with approval of the court-appointed experts.
 - The nurse intake encounter has been configured to have recommended orders based on responses to intake questions. Each order has a priority level dependent upon the response and to all service lines. Orders can be easily made by clicking the button within the nurse intake encounter.
 - Regarding the SME recommendation -
 - Nurses send referrals to providers based on the acuity of patient needs. The orders are built into the Nurse Intake Encounter.

- Orders for withdrawal monitoring are automatically ordered when the patient scores a CIWA or COWS score of 0 or above.
 - ACH meets the Consent Decree required timeframes for initial medication review and first dose.
 - Order sets for detox monitoring exist within the nurse intake encounter.
- VI.B.7. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Annual Nurse Intake Training was developed and first provided in December 2022. Annual training is required annually and tracked in the County’s software, ProList.
 - QI staff developed several audit tools to assess the nurse intake process. Reviews completed during this monitoring period include:
 - ADA Identification and Documentation at Intake
 - Withdrawal Monitoring in the Booking Loop
 - Medication Initiation and Renewal
 - Referrals at Intake
 - Intake Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) studies occur on a regular basis and are sent to SME.
 - QI began in-person observation audits of the Nurse Intake process in January 2023 to ensure all screening questions are asked and will continue with each Intake Audit.

Intake Referral Audit

Focus: To determine whether RNs ordered appropriate referrals at intake.

Type of Referral Needed:	Patients Referred as Needed			
	11/29/21 (N=51)	10/10/22 (N=21)	01/31/23 (N=19)	5/31/23 (N=21)
Provider	14/20 (70%)	9/12 (75%)	11/13 (85%)	10/18 (56%)
Mental Health	11/15 (73%)	8/9 (89%)	11/11 (100%)	1/17 (6%)
SUD Counselor	9/19 (47%)	15/15 (100%)	7/10(70%)	5/10 (50%)
Dental	7/7 (100%)	13/13 (100%)	4/4 (100%)	2/7 (29%)

Access to Care

(Section VI; Provision C.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

C. Access to Care

1. The County shall ensure that Health Service Requests (HSRs) are readily available to all prisoners, including those in segregation housing, from nurses and custody officers.
2. The County shall provide patients with a mechanism for submitting HSRs that does not require them to share confidential information with custody staff. The county shall install lockboxes or other secure physical or electronic mechanism for the submission of HSRs (as well as health care grievances) in every housing unit. Designated staff shall collect (if submitted physically) or review (if submitted electronically) HSRs at least two times per day in order to ensure that CHS receives critical health information in a timely manner. Designated health care staff shall also collect HSRs during pill call and go door to door in all restricted housing units at least once a day to collect HSRs. HSRs and health care grievances will be promptly date- and time-stamped. The county may implement an accessible electronic solution for secure and confidential submission of HSRs and grievances.
3. The County shall establish clear time frames to respond to HSRs:
 - a. All patients whose HSRs raise emergent concerns shall be seen by the RN immediately upon receipt of the HSR. For all others, a triage RN shall, within 24 hours of receipt of the form (for urgent concerns) or 72 hours of receipt of the form (for routine concerns).
 - (i) Conduct a brief face-to-face visit with the patient in a confidential clinical setting.
 - (ii) Take a full set of vital signs, if appropriate.
 - (iii) Conduct a physical exam, if appropriate.
 - (iv) Assign a triage level for a provider appointment of emergent, urgent, routine, or written response only.
 - (v) Inform the patient of his or her triage level and response time frames.
 - (vi) Provide over-the-counter medications pursuant to protocols; and
 - (vii) Consult with providers regarding patient care pursuant to protocols, as appropriate.
 - b. If the triage nurse determines that the patient should be seen by a provider:
 - (i) Patients with emergent conditions shall be treated or sent out for emergency treatment immediately.
 - (ii) Patients with urgent conditions shall be seen within 24 hours of the RN face-to-face; and
 - (iii) Patients with only routine concerns shall be seen within two weeks of the RN face-to-face.
 - c. Patients whose requests do not require formal clinical assessment or intervention shall be issued a written response, with steps taken to ensure effective communication, within two weeks of receipt of the form.

- d. The County shall permit patients, including those that are illiterate, non-English speaking, or otherwise unable to submit verbal or electronic HSR's to verbally request care. Such verbal requests shall immediately be documented by the staff member who receives the request on an appropriate form and transmitted to a qualified medical professional for response in the same priority as those HSRs received in writing.
4. The County shall designate and make available custody escorts for medical staff in order to facilitate timely and confidential clinical contacts or treatment-related events.
5. The County shall track and regularly review response times to ensure that the above timelines are met.
6. The County shall discontinue its policy of prohibiting patients from reporting or inquiring about multiple medical needs in the same appointment.
7. When a patient refuses a medical evaluation or appointment, such refusal will not indicate a waiver of subsequent health care.
 - a. When a patient refuses a service that was ordered by medical staff based on an identified clinical need, medical staff will follow-up to ensure that the patient understands any adverse health consequences and to address individual issues that caused the patient to refuse a service.
 - b. Any such refusal will be documented by medical staff and must include: (1) a description of the nature of the service being refused, (2) confirmation that the patient was made aware of and understands any adverse health consequences by medical staff, and (3) the signature of the patient, and (4) the signature of the medical staff. In the event the signature of the patient is not possible, the staff will document the circumstances.

Policies:

- ACH PP 05-09 Health Service Requests (revision 09/28/23) – *Pending review by Medical Health Expert*
- ACH PP 07-01 Informed Consent and Right to Refuse (revision 06/15/22) - *Final*

Audits

- Health Services Request Audit
- Chronic Care Management Audit

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.C.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Health Service Requests (HSRs) are readily available to all patients throughout the facility, including those in segregation housing from ACH or SSO Custody.
 - Nursing collects health service requests (HSRs) at least twice daily, once in the morning and once in the evening, and designated staff are responsible to ensure adequate supplies.
- VI.C.2. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Confidential locked boxes labeled “Health Service Requests” are installed in multiple locations at both jail facilities for patients to submit HSRs to protect confidentiality. Locked boxes are also throughout both facility’s housing units to submit grievances. Designated staff collect HSRs at least two times per day as well as during medication administration and door to door in all restricted housing units at least once a day. HSRs and health care grievances are promptly date- and time stamped. QI completes in-person observations as well as chart audits to ensure that HSR collection and time-stamping processes are occurring accordingly. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE will be reached once there is consistent time-stamping and timely collection as evidenced by designated Nursing staff physically scanning HSR forms immediately after collecting.
- VI.C.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has established clear time frames to respond to HSRs in accordance with the remedial plan. Key changes to the Health Service Request policy includes clarification regarding access to care timelines, such as the face-to-face appointment must be completed when indicated within the priority timeframes – rather than the appointment ordered.
 - VI.C.3.a. Emergent HSRs are seen immediately by the RN upon receipt of the HSR; however, ACH continues to strategize on areas to meet the 24-hour and 72-hour timelines consistently. Efforts added during this review period in this area:
 - As space is limited, ACH collaborated with SSO to identify additional exam room stationing areas to provide additional, confidential space to complete services on each floor in each wing – including Nurse Sick Call.
 - Inventory on medical equipment currently in stock as well as additional equipment needed to support additional fully functioning stations on each floor in each wing was developed and ordered.
 - Replaced worn-out/old/broken medical beds at both facilities.
 - Replaced all portable sinks in the medical exam room and specialty clinic at both facilities in FY2022/23.
 - Replaced rolling medical bags/cart for LVNs to transport medical supplies to different medical floors.
 - Main Jail 2 East Provider exam room was completed.
 - Main Jail 2 Medical provider charting office was also completed.

- Other improvements to the Main Jail medical areas include the new nursing station on 2 East and the new interview cubicles.
- Excess storage was removed to storage offsite.
- Replaced desks in Medical Housing Unit at RCCC, and in all exam rooms, and in SRN office.
- Added ramps at Honors unit in the main entrance at RCCC.
- Purchased Autogen and manual heat press for “Keep on Patient” medication blister packaging for pharmacy.
- Purchased iPads on wheels for video telehealth appointments and deployed November 2023. Initial purchase included eight (8) units for pilot program. Wi-Fi connectivity for stronger Wi-Fi signal quality and Access Points project completed at Main Jail on April, 6th, 2023 and RCCC on September, 1, 2023.
- ACH developed a new ACH Activity Schedule to clearly identify times and location needs for Custody Escorts to meet access to care timelines.
- Team-based approach – assigning a doctor/MA/RN/Ancillary staff on each floor.
- There is an insufficient number of escorts at Main Jail to ensure timely access to care. Staff started meeting with SSO Custody leadership on a monthly basis beginning August 2022 to address ongoing issues with patient access to care. In addition, ACH created an Access to Care Encounter to capture access to care barriers.

- Access to Care Encounter** An Access to Care encounter has been implemented in digital format in the EHR. This form captures details regarding obstacles/issues in providing access to patient care. It has been updated

Access to Care

X-REF:

Date: *HR* Time: *MIN* *AM/PM*

First Name: Last Name: DOB:

Appointment Type: Facility: Location:

Custody Escort (Officer Name/Badge #)

I was unable to meet with the patient to provide health care services offered at the Sacramento County Jails due to the following reason:

Custody Escort's Reported Reason:

- Unsafe Environment
- Chow Time
- Recreation Time
- Short-Staffed
- Laundry
- Commissary
- Court Appointment
- Shakedown/Lockdown
- Social Visit
- Unsafe Behavior*
- Other

ACH Follow-Up Plan

Conflict Reason:

- Inter Facility Transfer
- Patient Non-Response*
- Other ACH Medical Appointment
- Natural Disaster
- Hospital Send-Out
- Specialty Appointment
- Other

Follow-Up Plan (Required):

Access to Care

X-REF:

Date: Time:

First Name: Last Name: DOB:

Appointment Type: Facility: Location:

Service Line: Nursing
 Mental Health
 Dental
 Provider
 Pharmacy
 SUD Counselor
 Other

Associated Order:

Order Number Order Priority Referring ACH Provider:

Custody Escort (Officer Name/Badge #)

I was unable to meet with the patient to provide health care services offered at the Sacramento County Jails due to the following reason:

Select One

to include the applicable service line as well as the associated order(s) for which service is being attempted. It also includes the type of care appointment attempted as well as reasons for healthcare staff not being able to access the patient. The form is designed to require the user to complete follow up actions/instructions before the document can be saved to the patient chart. This allows ACH management to report on, monitor, and review incidents where access to care was delayed, denied, or otherwise not provided. As such, better collaboration is achieved between ACH and custody staff on any operations which may be preventing or prohibiting proper access to care.

- ACH and SSO implemented a Daily ACH/SSO Huddle agenda template and meet each morning to coordinate on service needs, Custody Escort needs, and strategize around challenges.

- VI.C.3.a.i. ACH conducts a brief face-to-face visit with the patient in a confidential clinical setting whenever possible. Space limitations make meeting this requirement consistently difficult. A video communication pilot will expand from the pilot to improve access to Provider consults. Medical assistants, Providers, and other health care staff will be able to have a video consult with a Provider in specific circumstances when needed. The goal is to improve patient care and Provider productivity.
- VI.C.3.a.ii.-iii. RNs taking vitals and a full exam during Nurse Sick Call when indicated is current practice.
- VI.C.3.a.iv. Assigning a Triage level for Provider appointments is current practice and is reflected in the EHR.
- VI.C.3.a.v. ACH has a Patient Notification Letter that is generated for the patient when an HSR is logged into the EHR that informs them their HSR was received, and they will be seen in the near future. Including timeframes and monitoring to delivery is still in development.
- VI.C.3.a.vi. ACH provides over-the-counter medications pursuant to protocols.
- VI.C.3.a.vii. ACH nursing consult with providers regarding patient care pursuant to protocols, as appropriate. Providers are now stationed on each floor and have been instructed to be available if nursing has questions or issues that arise. SRNs will contact the providers when needed.
- VI.C.3.b.i.- If the triage nurse determines that the patient should be seen by a provider, protocol is in place for a Provider to see the patient per priority protocol. Patients with emergent conditions are sent out for emergency treatment immediately. Providers are seeing patients within the required timeframes the majority of the time. QI and the Medical Director will continue to monitor.
- VI.C.3.c. Patients whose requests do not require formal clinical assessment or intervention are issued a Patient Notification Letter, with steps taken to ensure effective communication, within two weeks of receipt of the form – letting them know their request is being addressed and no appointment is needed.
- VI.C.3.d. ACH has practices in place that allows patients, including those that are illiterate, non- English speaking, or otherwise unable to submit verbal or electronic HSR's to verbally request care. Such verbal requests are documented by the staff member who receives the request on an HSR, and disposition provided in the same priority as those HSRs received in writing.
- VI.C.5. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The electronic HSR form in the EHR was updated to better capture data helpful in monitoring timeliness at each step of the process. The electronic form also ensures HSR information is documented in the EHR to better support facilitate data reporting capabilities.

- **Health Service Requests (HSR):** The electronic HSR form in the EHR has been updated to further provide more detail for monitoring and quality improvement, including:
 - Updates to the form include the following:
 - Date/time received, entered, and triaged for improved tracking purposes.
 - Disposition criteria specific to the service line assigned to the HSR.
 - Fields created to capture the ACH response to the patient and action(s) to be taken.
 - Tracking data is then generated to monitor the following response timelines:
 - When the HSR was completed by the patient.
 - When the HSR is in receipt by ACH
 - When ACH entered the HSR data into the EHR
 - When the service line received the HSR for response
 - Details as to the disposition and needed action(s).
 - The second phase of this project is focused on the scanning and indexing the paper HSR on-site at the facility.
 - Multifunction devices with scanning capability have been configured at each jail facility to scan paper HSR documents to a designated network folder.
 - Designated ACH staff have permissions to this folder to digitally “file” the documents accordingly with each service line for triage.
 - Once triaged, each service line moves the document to a folder accessible by the Medical Records unit so the document can be indexed and filed in the patient’s chart.
 - Completion of this phase will ultimately eliminate transportation of paper HSR documents between facilities and timelier and efficiently allow the information to be indexed and uploaded to the patient electronic record.
 - This phase is scheduled to be fully implemented by the end of December 2023.

Patient Completed HSR: Today Yesterday

Patient HSR Summary:

Complaint was communicated verbally

This visit is: Face to Face Visit Non-Face to Face Visit

Confirm: HSR# written on paper form HSR# 90

DATES: **HR** **MIN** **AM/PM**

Staff Received: 06/16/2023 Time: 03 : 00 AM 03:00 AM

Service Line Received: 06/16/2023 Time: 04 : 00 AM 04:00 AM

Triage Details:

Triage Staff: << Me Triaged: Time: :

Disposition:

- Nursing
- Mental Health
- Dental
- Provider
- Pharmacy

Choose:

Select Order:

- Nurse Sick Call
- Nurse MAT/SUD
- Chronic Care Nurse
- CNA/MA Follow Up
- N/A

Select Priority:

- Emergent (STAT)
- Urgent
- Routine (Normal)

Non-Orders:

- Educational Materials Provided
- Gave verbal notification of HSR status
- HSR Response Handout Needed
- Other

Patient's medical complaint(s)

1st Complaint: Diet Request/Food Allergy

2nd Complaint:

3rd Complaint:

Review of Chief Complaint:

Modify Response to Patient:

Handout will be customized based on selections in the Staff Triage section and modifications selected below:

- Appointment will be scheduled.
- No appointment necessary. The concern is being addressed.
- Specialty appointment is pending
- Normal test result(s)

HSR Response Handout Initiated:

Review:

Only ONE order per HSR. Delete additional orders.

New Order:

- ACH QI tracks and regularly review response times to ensure that the above timelines are met. See HSR audit findings below. QI studies will continue quarterly.
- VI.C.6. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH discontinued prohibiting patients from reporting or inquiring about multiple medical needs in the same appointment shortly after execution of the Consent Decree – this has been practice. Patients are permitted to report or inquire about multiple medical needs on a single HSR or during a single appointment.
- VI.C.7. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Ongoing healthcare is offered and provided as medically indicated, regardless of previous refusals for services.

- VI.C.7.a. ACH staff are required to follow-up to ensure that the patient understands any adverse health consequences and to address individual issues that caused the patient to refuse service per policy. The follow-up discussion is also documented in the EHR. The Informed Consent and Right to Refuse Policy has been updated to capture all requirements in this provision – including use of the Refusal Form to document the refusal per policy.
- C.7.b. The Refusal Form captures all requirements outlined in the Remedial Plan.
- ACH developed a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) in July 2022 to address deficiencies in the health service request system. The CAP is monitored in monthly meetings between nursing leadership and QI.
- Staff developed an audit tool for timely access to services and completed a baseline study prior to the policy revision. Staff will begin periodic audits of the HSR process after training and implementation.

June 2023 HSR Audit (All HSR Types)	
Service Line	Totals
Medical	136/169 (80%)
Dental	23/169 (14%)
Mental Health	10/169 (6%)
Total	169/169 (100%)

Medical: HSR Documentation											
Facility (HSR Count)	Collected		Date & Time			Scanned			Entered accurately into EHR		
	Within 24 hours of submission ¹	After 24 hours of submission	Stamp Legible	Stamp Illegible	Not Stamped	Yes	No	Average # days for scanning	Yes	No	UTD ²
MAIN 17	12 71%	5 29%	11 65%	6 35%	0 0%	16 94%	1 6%	3.36	2 12%	14 82%	1 6%
RCCC 10	9 90%	1 10%	7 70%	3 30%	0 0%	9 90%	1 10%	4.04	0 0%	9 90%	1 10%

All	21	6	18	9	0	25	2	3.61	2	23	2
27	78%	22%	67%	33%	0%	93%	7%		7%	85%	7%

¹Submission is the date the patient wrote on the HSR form.

²Unable to determine if the data was entered accurately because the HRS was never scanned into the EHR.

Medical: Triage of Paper HSR												
Facility (HSR Count)	Triage Time by SRN/RN				Initial Triage: Was it Clinically Appropriate?							
	<= 3 hrs.	> 3 hrs. <= 24 hrs.	> 24 hrs. <= 48 hrs.	> 48 hrs.	Emergent/STAT		Urgent		Routine		Written Response	
					Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
MAIN	3	5	9	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	1	0
17	18%	29%	53%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	94%	0%	6%	0%
RCCC	8	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	6	1	0	0
10	80%	10%	10%	0%	0%	0%	20%	10%	60%	10%	0%	0%
Total	11	6	10	0	0	0	2	1	22	1	1	0
27	41%	22%	37%	0%	0%	0%	7%	4%	81%	4%	4%	0%

Medical: Timeframes by Triage Category									
Facility (HSR count)	Urgent			Routine			Written Response Required		
	Within timeframe	Outside timeframe	Not seen	Within timeframe	Outside timeframe	Not seen	Within timeframe	Outside timeframe	Not Sent
MAIN	0	0	0	1	14	1	0	0	1
17	0%	0%	0%	6%	82%	6%	0%	0%	6%
RCCC	1	2	0	3	4	0	0	0	0
10	10%	20%	0%	30%	40%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Medical: Referrals					
Facility (HSR Count)	Order Created			Status of Created Orders	
	Yes	No	N/A	Closed	Open
MAIN	15	1	1	15	0
17	88%	6%	6%	100%	0%
RCCC	9	1	0	9	0
10	90%	10%	0%	100%	0%

All	1	2	0	4	18	1	0	0	1	All	24	2	1	24	0
27	4%	7%	0%	15%	67%	4%	0%	0%	4%	27	89%	7%	4%	100%	0%

Dental: Triage of Paper HSR												
Facility (HSR Count)	Triage Time by SRN/RN				Initial Triage: Was it Clinically Appropriate?							
	<= 3 hrs.	> 3 hrs. <= 24 hrs.	> 24 hrs. <= 48 hrs.	> 48 hrs.	Emergent/STAT		Urgent		Routine		Written Response	
					Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
MAIN 2	1 50%	0 0%	1 50%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	2 100%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%
RCCC 3	2 67%	1 33%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	3 100%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%
Total 5	3 60%	1 20%	1 20%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	5 100%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%

¹Submission is the date the patient wrote on the HSR form.

²Unable to determine if the data was entered accurately because the HRS was never scanned into the EHR.

Dental: Timeframes by Triage Category									
Facility (HSR count)	Urgent			Routine			Written Response Required		
	Within timeframe	Outside timeframe	Not seen	Within timeframe	Outside timeframe	Not seen	Within timeframe	Outside timeframe	Not Sent
MAIN 2	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	2 100%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%
RCCC	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0

Dental: Referrals					
Facility (HSR Count)	Order Created			Status of Created orders	
	Yes	No	N/A	Closed	Open
MAIN 2	2 100%	1 50%	0 0%	2 100%	0 0%
RCCC	2	1	0	2	0

3	0%	0%	0%	33%	67%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3	67%	33%	0%	100%	0%
All	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	All	4	2	0	4	0
5	0%	0%	0%	60%	40%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5	80%	40%	0%	100%	0%

* Emergent/STAT is N/A to this table.

Findings:

- 93% of Medical HSRs and 60% of Dental HSRs were scanned into the EHR and available for comparison to the EHR HSR encounter at the time of audit.
- 74% (20/27) of medical responses to HSRs were outside of the required timeframe. 40% (2/5) of the Dental responses to HSRs were outside of the required timeframe.
- Scanning the HSRs took approximately 3-4 days for Medical and approximately 5-6 days for Dental.
- 100% of Medical HSRs and 100% of Dental HSRs were assigned a triage level (Emergent, Urgent, or Routine).
- All Medical and Dental HSRs were date stamped, however, in 9% of the scanned Medical HSRs, the date stamp was illegible.
- All Medical and Dental HSRs were triaged in less than 48 from the time they were received.
- Of the 27 Medical HSRs, 2 (6%) of them are considered to have an inappropriate priority level assigned.

○ MH Triaged Health Service Requests Audit – Triage within 24 Hours of MH Receiving HSR:

Summary: Triaged Health Service Requests June 2023 – August 2023

Month	Total Health Service Requests	Triaged Health Service Requests within 24 Hours	HSRs Entered Incorrectly and/or Missing Data*	Average Triage Time
June 2023	1194	660 (55%)	534 (45%)	46 hours
July 2023	1345	926 (69%)	419 (31%)	19 hours
August 2023	1413	1069 (76%)	344 (24%)	14 hours

*Data entered incorrectly is when staff enters the triage date/time **after** service line date/time. Missing data is when staff does not enter the date/time of when they received and/or triaged the HSR.

Chronic Care
(Section VI; Provision D.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

D. Chronic Care

1. Within three months of the date the Remedial plan is issued by the Court, the County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, develop and implement a chronic disease management program that is consistent with national clinical practice guidelines. The chronic disease program will include procedure for the identification and monitoring of such patients and the establishment and implementation of individualized treatment plans consistent with national clinical practice guidelines.
 - a. The chronic disease management program shall ensure that patients with chronic illness shall be identified and seen after intake based upon acuity (on the day of arrival for patients with high acuity and not to exceed 30 days for all others). The County will timely provide clinically indicated diagnostic testing and treatment, including prior to this post-intake appointment. Follow-up appointments will be provided in intervals that do not exceed 90 days unless patients are clinically stable on at least two consecutive encounters, in which case, follow-up appointment intervals will not exceed 365 days (and sooner if clinically indicated), subject to a chart review every 6 months.
 - b. The chronic disease management program shall ensure patients are screened for hepatitis C at intake. If medical staff recommend Hepatitis testing based upon screening results, such testing shall be offered on an "opt-out" basis for those individuals who remain in custody long enough to receive a housing assignment. If the patient declines testing the refusal shall be documented in the health record. Patients found to have hepatitis C shall be offered immunizations against hepatitis A and B.
 - c. The chronic disease management program shall include a comprehensive diabetic management program consistent with the American Diabetes Association (ADA) Diabetes Management in Correctional Institutions. The protocol shall be developed in coordination with custody administration to address normal circadian rhythms, food consumption times and insulin dosing times.
 - d. The chronic disease management program shall ensure that patients who take medications for their chronic conditions shall have the medications automatically renewed unless the provider determines that it is necessary to see the patient before renewing the medication. In that case, the patient shall be scheduled to be seen in a reasonable time period to ensure medication continuity.
2. The County shall track compliance with the chronic disease management program requirements for timely provision of appointments, procedures, and medications. The County shall ensure that its electronic medical record system is adequate to support these critical functions.

3. The County shall review its infection control policies and procedures for dialysis treatment to ensure that appropriate precautions are taken to minimize the risk of transmission of blood-borne pathogens, given the proximity of HCV+ and HCV- patients receiving dialysis in the same room.

Policies & Provider Guidelines:

- ACH PP 05-05 Nurse Intake (revision 12/01/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 05-13 Initial History and Physical (H&P) Assessment (revision 07/12/23) – *Final*
- ACH PP 05-18 Chronic Disease Management (revision 08/18/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 05-19 Hepatitis C Testing, Treatment and Monitoring (revision 04/07/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 05-20 Diabetes Management (revision 01/27/23) – *Final*
- Provider Treatment Guidelines
 - Asthma (11/19/21) – *Pending review by Medical Health Expert*
 - Diabetes Management (revision 06-14-23) – *Final*
 - HIV/AIDS (06/02/21) – *Pending review by Medical Health Expert*
 - Hypertension (05/10/21) – *Pending review by Medical Health Expert*

Audits & Reports:

- Chronic Physical Health Conditions Report
- Chronic Disease Management Audit
- Chronic Care Audit- Diabetes Management

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.D.1. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

- ACH has implemented a chronic disease management program to be consistent with national clinical practice guidelines. ACH has expanded its Chronic Disease Monitoring program and developed a quarterly Chronic Disease Management Audit. The Intake nurse places an order for an History and Physical (H&P) exam for anyone identified as having a chronic disease. At this initial H&P, the provider will assess the level of disease control and schedule chronic care follow-up appointments based on medical acuity and level of disease control.
- VI.D.1.a. The chronic disease management program includes a process to ensure chronic care patients are referred for an H&P based upon acuity. Monitoring to the adherence to this process is included in the Chronic Disease Management Audit. A corrective action plan has been implemented by QI to address a backlog in lab orders to ensure patients receive timely and effective treatment.
 - i. Providers have been trained and have started managing chronic diseases. As staffing improves, more dedicated chronic care providers will be assigned to manage patients with multiple chronic diseases and higher acuity. Given lower patient turnover and lower acuity patients, consistency in CC providers for individual patients has been very successful at RCCC. As more regular, full-time providers are working at MJ, we expect to be able to have more consistency with floor assignments, which will aid in having an assigned provider to these patients.
 - ii. Providers have been trained in all chronic disease policies or guidelines at past Provider meetings and new providers are required to review it as part of onboarding. These policies are expected to be updated in the coming year as we get real-time feedback after implementation.
 - iii. Providers have been trained to use the right document type to capture the chronic care encounter and to address all chronic care problems during a Provider Sick Call, as clinically appropriate.
 - iv. Chronic care compliance will improve once the floor nurses are staffed and able to monitor a panel of patients to ensure timely follow-up, including completion of labs, imaging, and other coordination of care as needed.
 - v. A clinical pharmacist is currently in background clearance and will be added to the chronic care team to enable Providers to better manage chronic care patients with diabetes, HTN, hyperlipidemia, Hep C, asthma, and OUD.
 - vi. A primary care provider with additional training in HIV conducts a twice weekly (at least) HIV Clinic. Infectious disease consultation is also available through RubiconMD or contracted off-site Infectious Disease specialist as clinically indicated.
 - vii. A primary care provider with additional training in gender affirming care conducts and Transgender Care Clinic every 2 weeks, and patients on hormones prior to incarceration have them continued as part of our Essential Medications process.

- viii. Medical Director developed guidelines for routine vaccinations and health screenings (e.g., diabetes, breast cancer, and colorectal cancer screenings) and trained providers in December 2021.
 - VI.D.1.b. The chronic disease management program ensures patients are screened for Hepatitis C, HIV, syphilis, and GC/CT at Intake and offered testing on an “opt- out” basis for those individuals who remain in custody long enough to receive a housing assignment. If the patient declines testing the refusal is documented in the health record. Patients found to have hepatitis C are offered immunizations against hepatitis A and B. A specialist provides onsite Gastroenterology and Hepatology clinics every other week. Services started in October 2021.
 - VI.D.1.c. The chronic disease management program includes a diabetes management clinic consistent with the American Diabetes Association (ADA) Diabetes Management in Correctional Institutions. Diabetic medications are scheduled to coincide with food consumption times. The Assistant Medical Director is working with custody and Case Management to get continuous glucose monitors available to all type 1 diabetics.
 - VI.D.1.d. Currently, medications are prescribed for one year. Prior to expiration, pharmacy sends an EHR alert for the Providers to renew. The Medical Director will work with Pharmacy Director to make renewals automatic when the clinical pharmacists are implemented into the chronic care program under a CAP next FY. Medication Initiation and Renewal Audits have been conducted to measure compliance of uninterrupted medication renewals. The audit conducted on August 2022 data showed 86% compliance and February 2023 data showed 90% compliance with this provision.
- VI.D.2. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH QI has conducts Chronic Care audits – QI conducts regularly audits surrounding compliance with diabetic chronic care requirements, the most recent audit completed for September 2023. QI also implemented a new compliance audit on overall chronic disease management within the Jails.
 - A Chronic Conditions report has been developed and is available to clinical staff. It can be run by ICD-10 code for a particular time period and/or facility. Data elements being tracked include:
 - i. ICD-10 Code and Problem Description
 - ii. Degree of Control
 - iii. First PHP Visit
 - iv. Last provider visit details
 - v. Recent Lab Reports and Future Lab Orders
 - vi. Follow up Chronic Care clinic dates.

- Providers have been trained to create alerts in the EHR to ensure a particular patient will return to that provider for follow-up care when possible.
- Initial H&P and Provider Chronic Care Follow-Up forms are active in the EHR. Both encounter types include several forms for data collection, such as Periodic Health Assessment and Patient Education details.
- The Asthma form in the EHR was updated to capture additional information during chronic care follow-up visits.
- The Practitioner Assessment & Plan form in the EHR has been updated to include Chronic Care follow up reasons and automatically generated future appointment orders as well as a link to the necessary documentation should the patient require to be sent for an emergency room visit.
- VI.D.3. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH contracts with Spectrum to provide onsite dialysis treatment, who is required to maintain and follow regulations and policies surrounding appropriate precautions to minimize the risk of transmission of blood-borne pathogens while providing dialysis.
 - ACH Infection Control has recently worked with the California Department of Public Health to update the Infection Control Policies to be consistent with standards.
 - A part-time primary care provider is also a nephrologist and is available for nephrology consults. In the current monitoring period, the nephrologist started onsite nephrology clinics to complement the telenephrology services provided by UCD for dialysis patients.
 - Staff are pulling data reports on chronic conditions and labs which will help with chronic disease management. See table below:

Chronic Physical Health Conditions Report						
	Point in Time					
	1/25/23	4/26/23	5/31/23	6/28/23	7/26/23	8/30/23
Patients with chronic physical health conditions	36%	37%	36%	35%	37%	36%
Of patients with at least 1 chronic condition, % with 2 or more chronic conditions	39%	42%	39%	42%	41%	41%

Patients on medication	76%	75%	77%	73%	73%	75%
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Chronic Conditions Report Point in Time					
	07/27/22	09/28/22	11/30/22	01/25/23	03/29/23
Patients with chronic conditions	66%	69%	68%	69%	72%
Of patients with at least 1 chronic condition, % with 2 or more chronic conditions	66%	64%	64%	67%	67%
Patients on medication	67%	71%	75%	76%	76%

Indicator	Data Period					
	<i>Sample of patients with diagnosis of diabetes</i>					
	02/2022 (N=61)	08/2022 (N=28)	12/2022 (N=21)	03/2023 (N=26)	06/2023 (N=26)	09/2023 (N=29)
Provider follow-up visit within timeframe based on degree of disease control	38/61 (62%)	20/28 (72%)	14/21 (67%)	16/26 (62%)	18/26 (69%)	20/29 (69%)
Hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) test scheduled within 6 months of last result	34/61 (56%)	17/28 (61%)	13/21 (62%)	18/26 (69%)	24/26 (92%)	29/29 (100%)

Chronic Care Audit – Diabetes Management

- QI developed an audit tool for diabetes management and conducted a baseline audit in November 2021.
- The data shows that Providers are improving with respect to scheduling follow-up visits and HbA1c testing within appropriate timeframes. See table below:

- HbA1c testing according to policy timeframe significantly improve from 56% in February 2022 to 100% in September 2023.
- Staff recently developed additional chronic care audit tools and are currently conducting the Chronic Care Audit.

Specialty Care

(Section VI; Provision E.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

E. Specialty Services

1. The County shall develop and implement policies regarding specialty referrals using an algorithm with evidence-based referral criteria and guidelines.
2. Within 3 months of the date the Remedial plan is issued by the Court, the County shall develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure that emergency consultations and diagnostic treatment procedures, as determined by the medical provider; are provided immediately; high priority consultations and procedures, as determined by the medical provider are seen within 14 days of the date of the referral; and routine consultations and procedures, as determined by the provider are seen within 90 days of the date of the referral.
3. Patients whose routine specialty consultation or procedure do not take place within 90 calendar days from the date of the referral shall be examined by a clinician monthly and evaluated to determine if urgent specialty care is indicated.
4. Within 5 days of the completion of a high priority specialty consultation or procedure, or within 14 days of a routine specialty consultation or procedure, patients returning to the Sacramento County Jail shall have their specialty reports and follow-up recommendations reviewed by a jail nurse practitioner, physician assistant or physician.
5. Specialty care consultations and outside diagnostic and treatment procedures shall be tracked in a log that identifies:
 - a. The date of the referral request
 - b. The date the request is sent to UM
 - c. The date of UM notification of approval or denial
 - d. The date the referral was sent to the specialty care provider
 - e. The date of the consultation or procedure appointment

- f. The date the consultation or procedure took place
 - g. If cancelled or rescheduled, the reason for the cancellation/rescheduling
 - h. The date the appointment was rescheduled.
6. Requests for specialty consultations and outside diagnostic and treatment procedures shall be tracked to determine the length of time it takes to grant or deny requests and the circumstances or reasons for denials (Note: date of approval should be on specialty services tracking log, see above).
7. At least twice a year, the County shall conduct an audit of specialty care referral logs described in subsections (5) and (6), above, and complete a report as to whether each category of specialty care is completed in a reasonable time frame, consistent with established time frames. If any specialty care area has a record of untimely appointments as determined by the Correctional Health Service Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) Committee, the County shall report to Plaintiffs and the parties shall meet and confer to take prompt steps to address the issue. The County will provide Plaintiff's access to the specialty care referral logs and audit reports periodically and upon written request. The parties will work to resolve issues with untimely specialty care in individual patient cases and with respect to systemic trends, including through the dispute resolution process.
8. The County shall consider implementing an e-referral system to reduce delays and facilitate communication between specialists and primary care providers, as well as reducing unnecessary transportation costs and unnecessary specialist appointments by ensuring that the specialist has all the information he or she needs before an appointment takes place.
9. The County shall ensure that utilization management and/or scheduling staff provides notification of whether a patient's specialty care appointment is scheduled to occur within the timeline pursuant to the referral and/or clinical recommendation, including as follows:
 - a. Medical staff may request and obtain information as to whether any patient's specialty care appointment is scheduled, and as to the general timing of the appointment (e.g., within a one-week date range).
 - b. If a specialty care appointment is denied or is not scheduled to occur within the timeline pursuant to the referral and/or clinical recommendation, such information will be affirmatively provided to the treatment team and to the patient.
 - c. If a previously scheduled specialty care appointment is postponed to a date that is outside the timeline pursuant to the referral and/or clinical recommendation, such information will be affirmatively provided to the treatment team and to the patient.
 - d. The County shall consider creating a physical therapy clinic at the jail to more efficiently meet the demand for service at the jail.
10. The County shall consider creating a physical therapy clinic at the jail to more efficiently meet the demand for this service.

Policies:

- PP 04-08 Specialty Referrals (revision 09-07-22) – *Final*

ACH attempts to contract with Specialty providers willing to provide onsite services when possible and capable of providing quality patient care in the Jails. Below is a list of onsite Specialty Services:

- Audiology
- Cardiology
- Dialysis
- Dermatology
- Gastroenterology/Hepatitis C Clinic
- Nephrology (telemedicine)
- Ophthalmology Clinic
- Optometry Clinic
- Otolaryngology (ENT)
- Physical Therapy Clinic
- Podiatry
- Pulmonary (telemedicine)
- RubiconMD Specialty E-Consult Services

Audits:

- Specialty Care Audit

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.E.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has implemented policies regarding specialty referrals in collaboration and agreement with court-appointed Experts.

- Specialty Care Referral Provider Guidelines were developed, and training is provided ongoing to assist providers in submitting sufficient documentation when making referrals. Also see Utilization Management section.
- VI.E.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has implemented policies regarding specialty referrals in collaboration and agreement with court-appointed Experts.
 - Urgent referrals are required to be seen within 14 days of referral rather than the 21 days stated in the Remedial Plan.
- VI.E.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

ACH Case Management (CM) schedules Provider follow-up appointments for all patients who have not yet had their Specialty consultation or procedure and therefore fall outside of the 90-day timeframe. CM tracks and reports on the number of follow-up visits that occur per policy. Providers have been trained on this requirement and how this visit is flagged in the health record.
- VI.E.4. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH CM has a tracking system to ensure collection of the consult or procedure paperwork from the Specialty provider and schedules the ACH Provider follow-up appointment within the timeframe requirements (5 days of the completion of a high priority specialty consultation or procedure, or within 14 days of a routine) – which is tracked and reported out quarterly.
- VI.E.5-6. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - CM has been tracking and reporting on Specialty care consultations and outside diagnostic and treatment procedures since February 2021 and continued to expand the tracking elements. All elements outlined in this Remedial Plan requirement is tracked, including the time it takes to grant or deny requests and the circumstances or reasons for denials, meeting this Remedial Plan requirement. Additional information has been added to the Specialty Referral tracker based on Expert recommendations. This includes tracking of additional workup prior to appointment when needed, date specialty documentation was received post specialty appointment, if a nurse visit occurred upon return from a specialty appointment, and if additional tests are needed post appointment.
- VI.E.7. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Auditing and reporting on Specialty care referral tracking as outlined above occurs quarterly – exceeding this Remedial Plan requirement of twice yearly. These audit reports are gone over in the UM Subcommittee Meeting, and any issues are discussed with the goal of addressing at that time. In addition, the Medical Director now meets weekly with CM to discuss and review Specialty referrals for priority level appropriateness. The Specialty tracking sheet and/or Specialty audit reports are provided to Plaintiff's counsel and court-appointed Experts upon written request. Data is always reported 90 days in arrears in order to accurately capture compliance timeframes.

- The first audit of the Specialty Referral Data was completed on 07/28/21 for the months of February through April 2021. Comparison data shows improvement in appointments meeting the 90-day timeframe 63% of the time during the first report period to 74% in the most recent report period of FY 22/23 July 2022 through June 2023.
- It is important to note that there was a flood in January 2023 that required evacuation of patients housed in RCCCC. This heavily impacted scheduled appointments since many had to be cancelled and rescheduled due to displacement.
- Substantial improvement has been made in the occurrence of the 14-day provider follow-up visit from 28% to now 74% of the time.
- Upon consultation with Executive Medical Leadership and CM, ACH has created an “Expedited” referral category where appointments should be completed within 45 days. ACH began tracking and reporting on this data for the fourth quarter of the 22/23 FY. Data shows ACH is meeting the 45-day timeframe 95% of the time.
- Historically, appointments have been scheduled by SSO transportation staff. Due to issues with prioritizing scheduling and booking appointments outside of required timeframes to accommodate staff scheduling; ACH CM assumed the responsibility. This function has proven to be incredibly difficult due to workload demands and difficulty creating a smooth-running workflow. ACH has requested two MA’s specifically for this function in the upcoming growth request. Until appropriate staffing is in place, ACH has developed a hybrid system with SSO. SSO assists in making the appointments but CM medical staff have complete authority on priority levels and decision making attached to the appointment.
- VI.E.8. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has been using Rubicon MD as an e-referral system for over two years to reduce delays and CM closely monitors consultant reports to ensure referral packets are complete to ensure the Specialty provider has all the information they need before the appointment takes place.
- VI.E.9. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The timing of appointments is discussed in the weekly meetings with the Medical Director and CM. Medical staff can request information at any time regarding specialty appointments. CM schedules a provider visit with each patient monthly if their appointment falls outside of the timeframes – per policy. Providers are informed in the request why they are seeing the patient and to determine if anything significant has changed during the wait time regarding the reason for referral.
 - A Physical Therapy clinic has been established and occurs weekly. ACH is working on expanding the physical therapy contract in the upcoming fiscal year.

- CM is closely tracking provider visits post-appointment and ensuring results are reviewed.
- Telemedicine is currently being utilized for pulmonary consults and will continue to expand.
- ACH has increased the number of onsite PT clinics per month due to the length of the PT wait list and the length of time it takes to clear a patient from the list.
- ACH is working with SSO on procuring and downloading Physical Therapy exercise videos onto patient tablets. This will allow for more patients to exercise while in their cell. This will allow providers an option to work with patients on chronic pain relieving techniques prior to sending a PT referral.
- QI has been auditing specialty referrals, assessing timeliness, and identifying barriers since February 2021.

Specialty Care Report: Fiscal Year 2022/2023 (Data as of December 2023)

Specialty Referrals by Priority													
Referral Priority	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	Total
Routine	52	55	64	62	44	60	48	64	57	75	72	63	716 (93%)
Expedited	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	10	10	8	35 (5%)
Urgent	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	5	4	5	21 (2%)
Total	54	57	64	62	45	60	48	67	63	90	86	76	772

Routine Socialty Referral Timeliness													
90 Day Timeframe	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Total
Met	22	18	26	29	20	28	26	30	20	39	29	36	323 (74%)

Not Met: Appointment Over 90 Days	2	10	7	4	5	7	10	6	9	5	3	3	71 (16%)
Not Met: No Appointment – Over 90 Days when Released	3	5	6	2	-	3	-	1	4	4	6	1	35 (8%)
Pending	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	-	1	1	7 (2%)
Total	27	33	39	35	25	38	36	38	37	48	39	41	436
Not Included in Timeframe	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	Total
Released Before 90 Days	17	17	14	18	12	14	5	19	8	23	21	14	182 (65%)
Refused Appointment	5	2	7	5	2	5	2	4	7	1	9	4	53 (19%)
Excluded (Temp-Out to State Hospital)	3	3	4	4	5	3	5	3	5	3	3	4	45 (16%)
Total	25	22	25	27	19	22	12	26	20	27	33	22	280
Grand Total	52	55	64	62	44	60	48	64	57	75	72	63	716

Expedited Specialty Referral Timeliness													
45 Day Timeframe	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	Total
Met	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	3	7	5	20 (95%)
Not Met: Appointment Over 45 Days	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	1	0	0	1 (5%)
Total								1	4	4	7	5	21
Not Included in Timeframe	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	Total
Excluded	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1 (7%)
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2 (14%)
NIC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	2	1	11 (79%)
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	3	3	14
Grand Total								1	6	10	10	8	35
Reasons for Delay	April referral delayed due to outside provider limited appointments.												

Urgent Specialty Referral Timeliness													
14 Day Timeframe	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	Total
Met	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	2	8 (89%)

Not Met: Appointment Over 14 Days	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 (11%)
Total	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	9
Not Included in Timeframe	July	August	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	Total
Excluded	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 (8%)
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1 (8%)
NIC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	4	2	3	10 (83%)
Total	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	4	3	3	12
Grand Total	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	5	4	5	21
Reasons for Delay	Patient was excluded because he left the facility on a temp out basis.												

Medication Administration & Monitoring

(Section VI; Provision F.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

F. Medication Administration and Monitoring

1. The County shall develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure that all medications are appropriately prescribed, stored, controlled, dispensed, and administered in accordance with all applicable laws through the following:
 - a. Ensuring that initial doses of prescribed medications are delivered to patients within 48 hours of the prescription, unless it is clinically required to deliver the medication sooner.
 - b. Ensure that medical staff who administer medications to patients document in the patient's Medication Administration Record (1) name and dosage of each dispensed medication, (2) each date and time medication is administered, (3) the date and time for any refusal of medication, and (4) in the event of patient refusal, documentation that the prisoner was made aware of and understands any adverse health consequences by medical staff.
2. The County shall provide sufficient nursing and custody staffing to ensure timely delivery and administration of medication.
3. The County shall provide pill call twice a day in each housing unit, at regular times that are consistent from day to day, except as may be required by non-routine facility security concerns. The County shall develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure that prescribed medications are provided at therapeutically appropriate times as determined by the ordering physician. Any patient who requires administration of medications at times outside the regular pill call shall be provided that medication at the times determined by the ordering physician.
4. The County shall develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure that patients are provided medications at therapeutically appropriate times when out to court, in transit to and from any outside appointment, or being transferred between facilities. If administration times occurs when a patient is in court, in transit, or at an outside appointment, medication will be administered as close as possible to the regular administration time.
5. The County shall develop policies and procedures to ensure that medication efficacy and side effects are monitored by staff and reviewed by appropriate clinicians at appropriate intervals.
6. The County shall explore the expansion of its Keep-on-Person medication program, (especially for inhalers and medications that are available over-the-counter in the community) and to facilitate provision of medications for people who are out to court, in transit, or at an outside appointment.

Policies:

- ACH PP 04-02 Insulin Administration (08/19/19) - *Final*
- ACH PP 04-17 Medication Administration (revised 07/29/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 04-18 Medication Order Entry (revised 09/15/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 04-19 Over the Counter Medications (revised 09/15/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 04-20 Keep on Person Medications (revised 01/12/22) – *Final*

Quality Improvement:

- ACH PP 01-13 Pharmacy and Therapeutics Subcommittee (revised 07/01/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 02-04 Medication Incident Reporting (02/19/21) and form – *Final*

Audits:

- Medication and Initiation and Renewal Audit

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.F.1. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has implemented policies regarding medication administration in collaboration and agreement with court-appointed Experts. In addition, several key changes have been completed including changes in pharmacy schedules, deployment of new pill carts, reassigning some tasks, and improving the network capacity. Additional medical escorts are required to ensure efficient operations.
 - VI.F.1.a SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE - QI has begun auditing to this provision and found that staff have maintained SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE in both the audit of August 2022 (100% compliance), February 2023 (96% compliance), and August 2023 (100% compliance) of meeting timeliness standards for patients receiving initial medications. See Section VI. B Intake for audit detail.
 - VI.F.1.b. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE – Staff document each administered medication as required in the patient’s MAR. The medication refusal form has been modified and staff have been trained on the requirement to educate patients on adverse health consequences upon refusal. Handheld tablets have been purchased for testing

effectiveness nurses being able to document in real-time when administering medications at the cell. The devices need to be HIPAA-compliant and compatible with the EHR. Nursing is providing feedback and additional tablets will be ordered based on feedback and the ability to meet the need.

- Purchased new medication administration carts.
 - Both the Main Jail and RCCC have installed several additional Wi-Fi access points throughout both facilities. This has greatly improved the accessibility by both PC and laptop devices used by staff, thereby allowing more efficient and stable EHR access and documenting ability.
 - ACH has been engaged in regular meetings with the EHR vendor (Fusion) regarding business requirements for eMAR version 5. This includes use of barcoding technology to ensure accuracy of patient medication distribution. Also, enabling bidirectional communication with the Pharmacy Management System (CIPS). It is anticipated that the first version available for testing will be ready during the first quarter of 2024. In the meantime, the user manual for the current eMAR 4 has been posted for reference on the ACH intranet site. Additionally, ACH has procured 15 additional rugged tablets for staff to use during pill call and for other clinical tasks. These tablets include barcode readers in anticipation of the barcode functionality available in eMAR.
- VI.F.2. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - All RNs and LVNs have been cross trained to administer medications allowing RNs to fill critical staffing shortages and avoid medication administration delays.
 - Medication administration times shall outline acceptable dosing times to ensure timely delivery of medications.
 - Established distribution areas to ensure efficient delivery of medications.
 - Staffing matrix has been developed to reflect 12 hour shifts to maximize staffing.
 - During this reporting period, ACH management met with the LVN Union to make necessary changes to medication administration schedules to achieve substantial compliance. Required meetings have occurred, and a Notice was sent out to all LVN's assigned to medication administration on 12/12/23 informing them that they will be moving to the day shift. Both BID medication administration times will occur on the dayshift in order to ensure safer medication practices and an abundance of staff to cover medication administration.
 - ACH leadership and SSO leadership have met multiple times to coordinate medication administration efforts. The Main Jail Captain wrote his operations order to align with the ACH workflow. This ensures SSO and nursing staff have the same information which creates less confusion and/or conflict.

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- Training on the new pill call workflow took place at a nursing all staff meeting on 12/20/23.
- A Team-Based approach will be implemented per floor to increase efficiency and reduce patient load.
- Hiring efforts have significantly increased.
- VI.F.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH provides medication administration twice a day in each housing unit, at regular times that are consistent from day to day, except as may be required by non-routine facility security concerns. ACH Medication Administration policy outlines that prescribed medications are provided at therapeutically appropriate times as determined by the ordering physician and that any patient who requires administration of medications at times outside the regular pill call shall be provided that medication at the times determined by the ordering physician.
 - Medication administration times have been changed to improve efficiency.
- VI.F.4. NON-COMPLIANCE
 - The ACH/ATIMS project team has continued to work with Fusion to program logic which will “turn on” and “turn off” flags and alerts accordingly depending on the patient’s current condition(s). This includes sending an alert when a patient is on medication so that custody staff can be readily aware. This is an arduous process at times given the many variables involved with frequently changing patient conditions and ensuring the most accurate and timely data is transmitted between the system interfaces.
- VI.F.5 PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH developed policies and procedures listed above with approval from Medical Experts to ensure that medication efficacy and side effects are monitored by staff and reviewed by appropriate clinicians at appropriate levels; however, this provision is not currently being conducted and will be a focus during the next reporting period.
- VI.F.6. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - PP 04-20 Keep on Person (KOP) Medications was approved by the Medical Experts in February 2022. KOP medications were expanded to include inhalers, chronic disease medications, over-the-counter medications, and others. Staff developed a Patient Medication Guide handout to inform patients of the KOP and discharge medication programs.
 - ACH is increasing eligibility – including for patients on restricted medications, by only dispensing the non-restricted medications as KOP. Patients with restricted medications still go through the pill line for the restricted medications. ACH is also assessing all levalbuterol inhalers (rescue inhalers), thus increasing KOP.
 - Expansion of KOP to all eligible patients.

- All rescue inhalers and nitroglycerin 0.4mg are provided KOP unless the patient is disqualified from the program. Scheduled inhalers are also provided to patients.
 - All rescue inhalers are KOP (234 patients as of 12/08/2023)
 - All nitroglycerin for chest pain is KOP (19 patients as of 12/08/2023)
 - Routine and chronic care medication are provided to eligible patients. If patients are on a restrictive medication, they will continue to go to pill line to receive the restrictive medication.
 - Pharmacy staff monitors compliance upon dispensing refilled medications and educate patients on proper use, use of the EHR to document participants' compliance, and use the Pharmacy Information System for data management.
- ACH developed a new audit tool to evaluate the timeliness of medication initiation and renewal.
 - An initial baseline audit assessed outcomes in February 2022, and additional audits are completed biannually.
 - QI data is presented in the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Subcommittee for review and recommendations.
 - See table below:

Medication Initiation and Renewal			
Indicator	Data Period		
	08/17/22 (N=42)	02/16-17/23 (N=44)	08/16/23 (N=52)
Timely initial medication (<48 hours from order)	35/35 (100%)	23/24 (96%)	44/44 (100%)
Timely renewal (no missed doses)	6/7 (86%)	18/20 (90%)	5/8 (62%)

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Indicator	Data Period		
	08/17/22 (N=42)	02/16-17/23 (N=44)	08/16/23 (N=52)

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Timely renewal (no missed doses)	6/7 (86%)	18/20 (90%)	5/8 (62%)

<p>Clinic Space (Section VI; Provision G.)</p>
<p>Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE</p>

G. Clinic Space and Medical Placements

1. The County shall provide adequate space in every facility to support clinical operations while also securing appropriate privacy for patients. Adequate clinical space includes visual and auditory privacy from prisoners, and auditory privacy from staff, the space needed reasonably to perform clinical functions as well as an examination table, sink, proper lighting, proper equipment, and access to health records.
2. The County shall ensure that any negative pressure isolation rooms meet community standards, including an antechamber to ensure that the room remains airtight, appropriate pressure gauges, and regular documented checks of the pressure gauges.
3. The County shall ensure that absent individualized, documented safety and security concerns, patients in acute medical or quarantine placements shall be allowed property and privileges equivalent to what they would receive in general population based upon their classification levels.
4. The County shall ensure that patients in medical placements are not forced to sleep on the floor, including providing beds with rails or other features appropriate for patients' clinical needs and any risk of falling.
5. The County shall not discriminate against patients in medical placements solely because of their need for C-Pap machines, but instead shall provide access to programs and services in accordance with their classification level, as set forth in the ADA remedial plan.

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.G.1. NON-COMPLIANCE
 - Short-Term Plan:
 1. ACH worked with SSO to identify additional exam room stationing areas to provide additional, confidential space to complete services on each floor in each wing – including NSC.
 2. Inventory medical equipment currently in stock as well as additional needed to support additional fully functioning stations on each floor in each wing, including, but not limited to:
 - a. Exam Carts with computers, stocked with exam equipment and materials.
 - b. Privacy screens
 - c. Lab chairs
 3. Purchase orders has been submitted for all equipment identified to establish additional exam stationing areas as soon as possible.
 4. ACH will implement a Daily Healthcare Service Schedule that will assign exam rooms and times for RNs to provide NSC, as well as all service functions.
 - Long-Term Plan:
 1. Use of transparent interviewing cubicles to be constructed on each floor in each wing – estimated completion date is December of 2024.
 2. Completion of Intake Health Services Facility (IHSF): The plans to build this facility has been approved by the Board of Supervisors (BOS) and will ultimately be needed to meet this requirement.
- VI.G.2. NON-COMPLIANCE
 - Jail reduction efforts and planning have begun to occur and will continue. Main Jail annex project was approved by the Board of Supervisors and planning meetings have begun.
 - This provision will not be in compliance until new construction.
- VI.G.3. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - All cells in medical housing are required to have medical beds. If a bed is out for repair the cell is deemed to be out of commission.
- VI.G.4. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Patients in need of CPAP machines are currently housed in the same area due to the need for electrical outlets. ACH

recently secured a contract and ordered battery-operated CPAP machines, so that these patients can be housed in the general population. ACH has procured 20 CPAPs and has begun distributing them to patients on 2 East. Several patients on 2 East have moved into general population as a result. Full rollout will occur within the next few months. This provision will be in substantial compliance once the battery-operated CPAP machines distributed to all who need them.

- Patients are not to be denied programs and services based on this housing location.

Patient Privacy

(Section VI; Provision H.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

H. Patient Privacy

1. The County shall develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure that appropriate confidentiality is maintained for health care services. The policies shall ensure confidentiality for clinical encounters, including health care intake screening, pill call, nursing and provider sick call, specialty appointments, and mental health treatment. The policies shall also ensure confidentiality for written health care documents, such as health care needs requests and grievances raising medical care or mental health concerns, which shall not be collected by custody staff.
2. The County shall provide adequate clinical space in each jail to support clinical operations while also securing appropriate privacy for patients, including visual and auditory privacy from prisoners and auditory privacy from staff.
3. All clinical interactions shall be private and confidential absent a specific, current risk that necessitates the presence of custody staff. In making such a determination, custody and clinical staff shall confer and review individual case factors, including the patient's current behavior and functioning and any other security concerns necessary to ensure the safety of medical staff. Such determinations shall not be made based on housing placement or custodial classification. The issuance of pills does not constitute a clinical interaction.
 - a. For any determination that a clinical interaction with a patient requires the presence of custody staff, staff shall document the specific reasons for the determination. Such decisions shall be reviewed through the Quality Assurance process.
 - b. If the presence of a correctional officer is determined to be necessary to ensure the safety of staff for any clinical encounter, steps shall be taken to ensure auditory privacy of the encounter.
 - c. The County's patient privacy policies, as described in this section, shall apply to contacts between patients and all staff who provide health-related services on site at the jail.
4. Jail policies that mandate custody staff to be present for any medical treatment in such a way that disrupts confidentiality shall be revised to reflect the individualized process set forth above. Custody and medical staff shall be trained accordingly.

Policies:

- ACH PP 08-01 Safeguarding Protected Health Information (revision 06/03/21) – *Pending Medical Expert feedback.*
- ACH PP 08-03 Release of Protected Health Information (01/10/20) - *Final*
- ACH PP 08-08 Patient Privacy (revision 05/13/21) – *Pending Medical Expert feedback.*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.H.1. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Exam rooms and attorney booths provide confidentiality for some health encounters. ACH is working on expanding exam space that will allow for greater privacy.
 - ACH has changed the ITI form/process to no longer include PHI that is visible to SSO. The form now instructs the nurse to place all medical information in an attached envelope to send to the provider. The form now instructs the outside provider to protect PHI by returning documentation in a sealed envelope.
- VI.H.2. NON-COMPLIANCE
 - Nurse Intake renovation took place in December 2022 to create more confidential space.
 - Ongoing space meetings will focus on any other areas which can be made available for nurse or physician encounters. Space is currently very limited with one exam room on most floors of the Main Jail.
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 - Decisions made to create moveable exam spaces on each floor in each wing. Privacy screens and other supplies have been purchased and staff are being trained on use of these areas.
 - Two confidential booths are being installed on each wing of each floor. Estimated completion date is December 2024.
 - Certain areas within the existing jail structure lack sufficient privacy.
 - See section G. Clinic Space for short and long-term space plans.
- VI.H.3. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - See section G. Clinic Space for short and long-term space plans.
 - H.3.a. Current process - There is a confidential encounter indicator in each health encounter form where staff indicates if the visit was confidential or non-confidential and the rationale.

- H.3.b. Maintaining auditory privacy is difficult due to space configuration. County has plans approved by the BOS to build the IHSF and other space modifications to resolve the privacy issues. ACH and SSO are looking at interim structures/cubicles to put into pods for confidential space.
- H.3.c. Current practice - The County's patient privacy policies apply to all health-related contacts
- VI.H.4. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Current practice - Jail policies that mandate custody staff to be present for any medical treatment in such a way that disrupts confidentiality are revised to reflect the individualized process set forth above. Custody and medical staff are trained accordingly.

Health Care Records

(Section VI; Provision I.)

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

I. Health Care Records

1. The County shall develop and implement a fully integrated electronic health care record system that includes medical, psychiatric, and dental records and allows mental health and medical staff to view the medical and mental health information about each patient in a single record. This shall be accomplished within 12 months of the date the Remedial plan is issued by the Court.
2. Until such a system is implemented, the County shall develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure that medical staff have access to mental health information and mental health staff have access to medical information, as needed to perform their clinical duties. This information shall include all intake records. Medical and mental health staff shall be trained in these policies and procedures within one month of the date the Remedial plan is issued by the Court.
3. The County shall develop and implement policies and procedures to monitor the deployment of the CHS Electronic Health Record (EHR) to ensure the records system is modified, maintained, and improved as needed on an ongoing basis, including ongoing information technology support for the network infrastructure and end users.

Policies & Manuals:

- ACH PP 08-01 Safeguarding Protected Health Information (revised 06/03/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 08-02 Data-Sharing-Physical Health and Mental Health Staff (08/29/19) – *Final*
- ACH PP 08-03 Release of Protected Health Information (01/10/20) – *Final*
- ACH PP 08-04 Standardized Abbreviations (02/20/20)- *Final*
- ACH PP 08-05 VPN Access Request (12/20/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 08-06 Records Retention (04/22/20) – *Final*
- ACH PP 08-07 Receiving and Responding to a Subpoena (06/11/20) – *Final*
- ACH PP 08-08 Patient Privacy (05/13/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 08-09 Electronic Health Record Change Request (01/14/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 08-10 Electronic Health Record Contingency Plan (02/02/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 08-11 Electronic Health Record Issue Reporting (05/11/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 08-12 Electronic Health Record Management for Clinical Records (07/14/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 08-13 Document Scanning and Indexing (08/05/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 08-14 EHR Account Audits (08/12/22) - *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.I.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has developed and implemented a fully integrated electronic health care record system that includes medical, psychiatric, and dental records and allows mental health and medical staff to view the medical and mental health information about each patient in a single record.
 - The athenaPractice EHR provides all of these components to medical and mental health staff via end user access to patient charts containing medical, dental and mental health data/records. The EHR is also integrated with several web applications for eMAR, mental health groups, managing orders and labs as well as with several medical reference and resource websites.
 - Medical EHR Updates:

- **Public Health Lab Requisitions/Test Results**: The remaining compendium of lab types identified for submittal via the Public Health Lab requisition process have been deployed as of July 2023. Also, specimen label printers have been installed and configured at several workstations in both facilities so labels will automatically print for each lab requisition entered. This will improve data accuracy and completeness for all specimens submitted for analysis. A Public Health Lab Orders report is in production and available to staff for tracking lab order status by date and by facility. The report also provides totals by facility, order status, and order type/description.
- **Voice recognition device and software (VRS)** – ACH providers have continued to use the VRS system for dictation in patient charts. Microphone devices have been deployed to all workstations accessed by providers at both facilities. VRS admins are able to create new accounts and run usage reports as required. ACH will be renewing the licenses for the VRS software.
- **Telemedicine** – Devices for telemedicine have been deployed to the RCCC facility the first week of May 2023 for the continued expansion of this program as previously implemented at the Main Jail.
- **BedBoard**: A web application to manage inpatient beds within the medical and mental health facilities at both Main Jail and RCCC was integrated with the EHR in May 2023. This functionality is also being employed to create “virtual rooms” based on patient acuity and monitoring interval requirements for better notification and alerts regarding patient withdrawal monitoring. This application is also being considered for managing/tracking patients who have been sent to outside facilities for treatment.

Fusion Bedboard Active Admissions

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Last	First	Xref	Booking #	Facility	Infirmary	Room	Bed	Diagnosis	Acuity	Admitted
Test	TC1	123AFE	12121212	MAIN	Acute Psychiatric Unit	APU 1 (RESTRAINT)	Twin	diabetes	1	08/10/2022
ZZZSacramento	Female			MAIN	2 Medical	Standard 5	Standard 5	test diagnosis	0	08/11/2022
DOE	JOHN	1885132	22000861	MAIN	2 Medical	Standard 6	Standard 6	Asthma	1	08/15/2022
TEST	TC6	1299YX	12121212	R3C	Medical Housing Unit	Honors Ward	Bed 3	Chest pain	1	08/16/2022
TEST	TC5	565HYG		MAIN	2 Medical	Standard 7	Standard 7	Other seizures	0	08/17/2022
Test	TC2	134DEC		MAIN	Acute Psychiatric Unit	APU 2	APU 2	Mental disorder, not otherwise specified	1	08/17/2022
TEST	TC3	15GTE		R3C	Medical Housing Unit	Back Room 39	Bed 39A	Nausea and vomiting	1	08/17/2022
test	test			MAIN	Acute Psychiatric Unit	APU 3	APU 3	999999999	1	08/26/2022
TEST	USER	4663598	965288501	MAIN	Acute Psychiatric Unit	APU 8	APU 8	Suicidal ideations	1	08/29/2022
xxtest	suz			MAIN	2 Medical	Reverse Isolation 1	Test Bed	Mental disorder, not otherwise specified	0	08/31/2022

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- VI.I.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The EHR provides the access as described above and contains information regarding medical, mental health and intake records.
- VI.I.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has developed and implemented policies and procedures to monitor the deployment of the ACH Electronic Health Record (EHR) to ensure the records system is modified, maintained and improved as needed on an ongoing basis, including ongoing information technology support for the network infrastructure and end users.
 - Several systems are in place to achieve maintenance and enhancements for the EHR:
 - **Sac Count IT Help Desk (JIRA)**
 - The County's IT department (DTech) has an IT Service Desk application (JIRA) for tracking/assigning help desk calls for EHR support. Details regarding nature of the call, user info, resolution description, IT staff assigned, etc. Reports are available for tracking call volume, type, frequency, etc. ACH EHR support staff have been given the permissions/ability to create and assign their own help desk tickets for EHR-related issues/problems. This greatly increases the efficiency with which outages, errors, glitches, etc. can be addressed and a resolution provided.

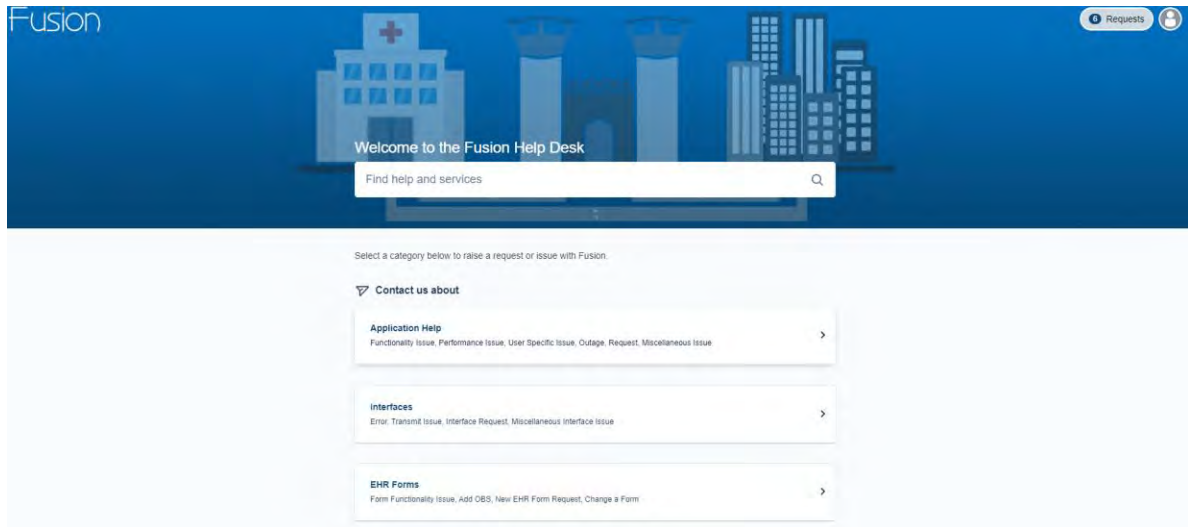
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System Dashboard

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ITSD-390813	ATHENA HEALTH SYSTEM NOT UPLOADING MEDICATIONS		NEW	5/27/23	5/30/23	NEW	Krajnovic, Stanislavka
ITSD-390810	I have a document open in athena. Every time I try to open it to discard it, it shuts athena down.		NEW	5/26/23	5/30/23	NEW	Andrews, Tanique
ITSD-390794	Unable to Close Chart in Centricity		NEW	5/26/23	5/26/23	NEW	Krajnovic, Stanislavka
ITSD-390161	CHS RNs are unable to sign any type of Mental Health notes in Athena EHR.		NEW	5/24/23	5/25/23	NEW	Williams, Tommy
ITSD-389636	System Error Attempting to Edit Notes		NEW	5/23/23	5/23/23	NEW	DeGrace-Cisco, Christina

- **Fusion Help Desk**
- ACH EHR Support staff have access to the EHR Vendor’s (Fusion) help desk for more complicated troubleshooting problems and enhancement requests. Issues can be tracked by type of subject – Interfaces/Forms/Reports/App Issues. Reports can be requested via the Sac County Account manager regarding call volume/type/frequency, etc.



- **ASAP System**

- There is an application to request new EHR accounts, access to particular EHR functionality, etc. for new ACH staff and/or modify access for ACH staff. Report requests are also sent through this system. Additionally, internal ACH EHR support staff have taken over creation of EHR accounts for new employees/users upon receiving notification that a network account has been created. This enables a more a complete account setup with correct system security permissions for staff based on job classification and business need. It also ensures staff are able to complete assigned tasks within the EHR without getting permission/access errors necessitating additional help desk requests.

SACRAMENTO COUNTY
Department of Health Services
ASAP - Administrative Service Automation Process

Welcome : David McFarland

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Request Number	Request Type	Request Text ID	Request Status	Request Date	Expected Comp Date
48104	Report	ACH requesting a pullable report in SSRS to track data related to new 2 Tier intake process.	In Progress	5/15/2023	5/22/2023
48038	Report	ACH is requesting a .xls download for details regarding recent patient send outs	In Progress	5/8/2023	5/15/2023

- **ACH Staff Training**

- ACH staff have taken training courses in EHR Administration, EHR Forms programming (Visual Form Editor) and database querying (Microsoft SQL) to monitor, enhance and extract data from the EHR application more effectively.

Utilization Management

(Section VI; Provision J.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

J. Utilization Management

1. The County shall revise its utilization management (UM) system to ensure that critical health decisions about patients' access to care are made with sufficient input from providers and a thorough review of health care records.
2. The County shall ensure that decisions about a patient's access to, timing of or need for health care are made by a physician, with documented reference to the patient's medical record. Nurses may gather information and coordinate the UM process, so long as it does not interfere with that requirement. All decisions by the UM committee shall be documented, including the clinical justification for the decision.
3. The UM system shall ensure that providers and patients are promptly informed about decisions made by the UM committee, including denial of a specialist referral request.
4. The UM system shall include an appeal process to enable patients and providers to appeal a decision denying a referral request.

Policies:

- ACH PP 01-14 Utilization Management (revision 05/05/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 01-18 Utilization Management Subcommittee (05/05/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 04-08 Specialty Referrals (revision 09-07-22) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.J.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has implemented policies regarding our utilization management (UM) system in collaboration and agreement with court-appointed Experts.

- Case Management staff began using InterQual as the Utilization Management platform for specialty referrals in March 2021.
- Specialty Care Referral Provider Guidelines were developed, and training is continually provided to assist providers in submitting sufficient documentation when making referrals that are processed through InterQual.
- A Utilization Management (UM) Subcommittee was formed and began meeting in October 2021. Subcommittee members include service line directors, QI, MH, and case management.
- The UM Subcommittee continued reviewing selected cases of high utilizers, high risk, complex, and/or high cost in order to ensure that resources are applied appropriately and timely during the monitoring period.
- A Utilization Review (UR) team was formed in December 2022 and met to discuss UR tools and other logistics.
- VI.J.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - All specialty referrals are ordered by physicians who determine the priority level based on their clinical assessment. The orders are routed to CM to review for completeness of workup and/or information to schedule the appointment. The Medical Director now meets weekly with CM to discuss and review Specialty referrals for priority-level appropriateness. All decisions for approval and denial are documented, including the clinical justification for the decision.
 - The Assistant Medical Director and CM meet weekly to review assigned priority levels for appropriateness. Priority levels may change as a result of the review. Provider training is frequently provided as a result of the weekly meetings.
- VI.J.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - If a request does not have enough supportive documents to justify approval, it is immediately routed to the Medical Director to approve prior to workup and to the ordering provider to provide further detail. The referrals are closely monitored until completed. If there is a denial, CM will schedule a provider sick call so the ordering provider can discuss the denial with the patient.
- VI.J.4. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - If the specialty service is denied, CM will schedule a provider sick call so the ordering provider can discuss the decision with the patient. The patient is then informed of the appeal process. This provision will move into Substantial Compliance when we can monitor this process with evidence to support.
 - Referrals are typically denied when there is a specialty service that must occur prior to the service the patient was referred to. The ordering provider is given the information so the correct service can happen first. For example, providers have referred patients to surgery prior to receiving a surgery consultation by a specialist first. The surgery referral will be denied and the provider will be informed that a consultation will need to occur first.

Sanitation

(Section VI; Provision K.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

K. Sanitation

1. The County shall consult with an Environment of Care expert to evaluate facilities where patients are housed and/or receive clinical treatment, and to make written recommendations to address issues of cleanliness and sanitation that may adversely impact health.

Policies & Manuals:

- Infection Control Manual:
 1. Surveillance
 - ACH PP 01-01 Environmental Cleaning and Infection Prevention Control
 - ACH PP 01-02 Airborne Pathogens Control Plan
 - ACH PP 01-03 Bloodborne Pathogens Control Plan
 - ACH PP 01-04 Handwashing
 - ACH PP 01-05 Standard Precautions
 - ACH PP 01-06 Waste Management
 - ACH PP 01-07 Disposal of used needles and syringes
 - ACH PP 01-08 Use of Disposable items
 - ACH PP 01-09 Diseases and Conditions reportable to Public Health
 2. Employee
 - ACH PP 03-01 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
 - ACH PP 03-02 Employee Tuberculosis Screening
 - ACH PP 03-03 Influenza Vaccinations for Employees

- ACH PP 03-04 Hepatitis B Vaccinations for Employees

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.K.1. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The County consulted with an Environment of Care Expert to evaluate facilities where patients are housed in medical and mental health units and in medical clinic areas to address consistent with environmental cleaning and sanitation standards.
 - An Action Item tool was developed to follow up on the recommendations from the Environment of Care Report and was sent to the SMEs.
 - ACH submitted Scope of Work to the Department of General Services to include in the Request for Proposals from three interested vendors. Only one vendor submitted an interest proposal. DGS is in the process of contracting with this vendor. The contract term is to be determined.
 - The County has updated the Infection Prevention and Control Manual to include policies and procedures with guidelines on proper cleaning and disinfecting approved by the California Department of Public Health for the medical and mental health areas.
 - Adult Correctional Health completed a Scope of Work consistent with the approved policies and is in collaboration with the Department of General Services and the Sheriff's Office to either expand the current cleaning contract or obtain a new contract with a professional cleaning vendor. The contract is anticipated to be in place this Fiscal Year 23/24.

Reproductive and Pregnancy Related Care
(Section VI; Provision L.)

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

L. Reproductive and Pregnancy Related Care

1. The County shall ensure that pregnant patients receive timely and appropriate prenatal care, specialized obstetrical services when indicated, and postpartum care (including mental health services).
2. The County will provide pregnant patients with comprehensive counseling and timely assistance in accordance with their expressed desires regarding their pregnancies, whether they elect to keep the child, use adoptive services, or have an abortion.
3. The County will provide non-directive counseling about contraception to female prisoners, shall allow female prisoners to continue an appropriate method of birth control while incarcerated (with consideration given to the patient's preference and/or current method of birth control), and shall provide access to emergency or other contraception when appropriate.

Policies

- ACH PP 02-03 Female Reproductive Services (revision 04/13/23) – *Final*
- ACH PP 05-04 Pregnancy Testing (revision 03/28/23) – *Final*
- ACH PP 06-01 Lactation Support (initial 04/22/20) - *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.L.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Current Practice - ACH maintains a weekly OB/GYN clinic at the main jail. Pregnant patients are identified and followed by UCD OB onsite consistent with policy and federal and state regulations.
 - When acute issues arise, on-site providers evaluate the patient and consult with UCD OBGYNs via phone as needed.
 - ACH QI developed audit indicators to review reproductive and pregnancy-related care and expect the audit will be in production in 2024.
- VI.L.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

- Current Practice - ACH provides pregnant patients with comprehensive counseling and timely assistance in accordance with their expressed desires regarding their pregnancies, whether they elect to keep the child, use adoptive services, or terminate the pregnancy. If patients elect for termination, coordination with UC Davis occurs immediately and their team prioritizes patients to be scheduled based on their gestational age, as is done in the community.
- VI.L.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Current Practice - ACH provides non-directive counseling about contraception to female prisoners, allows female patients to continue an appropriate method of birth control, provides access to emergency or other contraception when appropriate. All forms of contraception including Depo-Provera, COCs, Progesterone only pill, and IUDs are offered.

Transgender and Non-Conforming Health Care
(Section VI; Provision M.)

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

M. Transgender and Non-Conforming Health Care

1. The County shall implement policies and procedures to provide transgender and intersex prisoners with care based upon an individualized assessment of the patient's medical needs in accordance with accepted standards of care and prevailing legal and constitutional requirements, including, as appropriate:
 - a. Hormone Therapy
 - b. Surgical Care
 - c. Access to gender-affirming clothing
 - d. Access to gender affirming commissary items, make-up, and other property items
2. The County shall ensure that medical and mental health staff have specific knowledge of and training on the WPATH Standards of Care.

Policies:

- ACH PP 05-12 Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Health Care (revision 08/23/23) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.M.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has implemented policies and procedures to provide transgender and intersex patients with care based upon an individualized assessment of the patient’s medical needs in accordance with accepted standards of care and prevailing legal and constitutional requirements, including, as appropriate:
 - Hormone Therapy
 - Surgical Care
 - Access to gender-affirming clothing
 - Access to gender affirming commissary items, make-up, and other property items
 - For continuity of care, patients who are identified as receiving hormone treatment from a community licensed provider continue the medication while incarcerated. A provider will assess the patient and include the medication as part of the patient’s treatment plan.
- VI.M.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Mental Health staff worked with a consultant to develop training on the WPATH Standards of Care, LGBTQIA and health equity. Feedback from Medical, Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Experts has been incorporated. In consideration of the Medical Expert recommendation, ACH has created additional slides regarding the WPATH standards in relation to ACH policy to be included in the training. The training was approved, and training began in March 2023. 63% of ACH staff have completed the training. Newly Hired staff are expected to complete it within 3 months of hire and trainings are offered about every 4-6 months.
 - 99% of ACMH staff have completed the LGBTQ+ WPATH training.

Detoxification Protocols

(Section VI; Provision N.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

N. Detoxification Protocols

1. Within three months of the date the Remedial plan is issued by the Court, the County shall develop and implement protocols for assessment, treatment, and medication interventions for alcohol, opiate, and benzodiazepine withdrawal that are consistent with community standards.
2. The protocols shall include the requirements that:
 - (i) nursing assessments of people experiencing detoxification shall be done at least twice a day for five days and reviewed by a physician.
 - (ii) nursing assessments shall include both physical findings, including a full set of vital signs, as well as psychiatric findings.
 - (iii) medication interventions to treat withdrawal syndromes shall be updated to provide evidenced-based medication in sufficient doses to be efficacious.
 - (iv) the County shall provide specific guidelines to the nurses for intervention and escalation of care when patients do not respond to initial therapy; and
 - (v) patients experiencing severe-life threatening intoxication (an overdose), or withdrawal shall be immediately transferred under appropriate security conditions to a facility where specialized care is available.

Policies and Standardized Nursing Procedures (SNP):

- ACH PP 05-14 Benzodiazepine Withdrawal Treatment (revision 12/13/23) – *Final*
- ACH PP 05-15 Opioid Withdrawal Treatment (revision 12/13/23) – *Final*
- ACH PP 05-17 Alcohol Withdrawal Treatment (revision 12/13/23) – *Final*
- SNP Alcohol Withdrawal Monitoring and Treatment (revision 04/07/22) – *Final*
- SNP Opioid Withdrawal Monitoring and Treatment (revision 03/29/22) – *Final*
- SNP Benzodiazepine Withdrawal Monitoring and Treatment (revision 04/07/22) – *Final*
- SNP Suspected Opioid Overdose (revision 04/07/22) – *Final*

- MH PP 07-03 Use of Benzodiazepines (revision 08/15/23) – *Final*
- MH PP 07-04 Patients with Substance Use Disorders (revision 08/16/23) – *Final*
- ACH PP 05-02 Medication Assisted Treatment (revision 12/23/23)
- ACH PP 05-06 Methadone Treatment (initial 06/24/20) – *Will be revised*
- ACH PP 05-07 SUD Counselor (initial 06/24/20)

Audits:

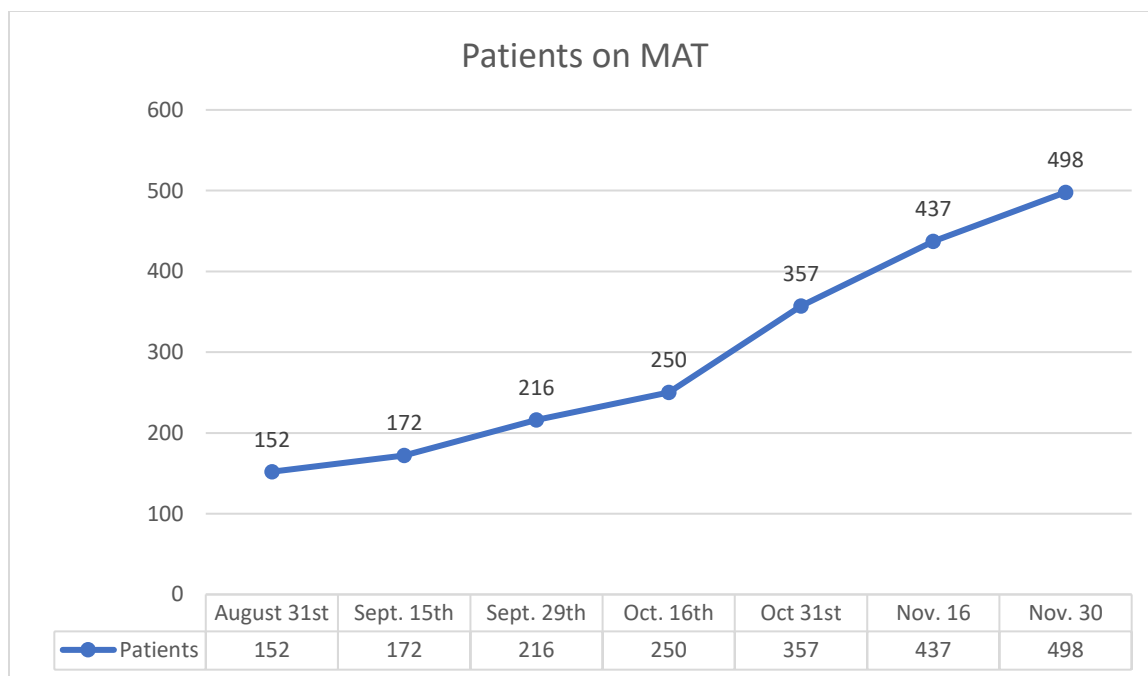
- Withdrawal Monitoring Audit

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.N.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH developed and implemented policies and protocols for assessment, treatment, and medication interventions for alcohol, opiate and benzodiazepine withdrawal that are consistent with community standards and in agreement/approval from court-appointed Medical Experts (see above). ACH will continue to train RNs on Withdrawal Management ACH policies and SNPs, emphasizing monitoring timeframe based on acuity.
 - Electronic health record templates were revised to capture the latest changes.
 - Withdrawal Monitoring is being tracked daily by the MAT Supervising Registered Nurse.
 - Staff developed an audit tool to evaluate withdrawal monitoring in the Main Jail booking loop in March 2022. Audits are completed monthly and a corrective action plan was issued due to delays in timely monitoring for the purpose of identifying and correcting issues with monitoring patients at risk of withdrawal.
 - ACH is working on MAT expansion at the jail, the following efforts have taken place:
 - All providers are required to provide MAT services.
 - MAT providers are assigned to take calls from nurses to continue MAT medications during weekdays. After hours, standby providers order bridge treatment.
 - ACH applied for and was awarded a MAT expansion grant through Health Management Associates (HMA) this reporting period. The original intent of the grant was to purchase Sublocade to assist in preventing diversion of MAT medication. However, this medication is expensive and the \$85,000 grant would only fund three patients per year. After further discussion, it was decided that the funding would be used to purchase suboxone and

pilot MAT inductions at the Main Jail. The pilot population is for those testing positive for fentanyl or admitting to using fentanyl at intake. The goal is to prevent fentanyl use and overdoses post-intake.

- ACH worked with County Behavioral Health Leadership and obtained \$1 Million dollars in Opioid Settlement funds to rollout a full MAT induction program.
- ACH spent months planning for the MAT induction program, which included heavy opposition from the Provider Union group. Opposition from the ACH Providers delayed the start of the induction program.
- As of October 2023, ACH implemented a MAT induction program. Currently, all patients who have identified as having an Opiate Use Disorder are offered a MAT assessment and provided MAT services as medically indicated.
- Staff continue to work on inducting patients who have been incarcerated for a period of time and would like to participate in the MAT program. They are brought to providers attention through HSR requests. We anticipate full induction across both jails by May or June 2024.
- As of October 15, 2023, MAT induction housing has been implemented at the Main Jail.
- ACH staff are working with SSO to procure and download SUD education groups onto patient tablets. We plan to purchase a full video curriculum of relapse prevention/education groups. This will be available to all patients, which will assist our limited SUD Counselors to focus on discharge planning efforts.
- ACH and SSO meet weekly to discuss MAT induction housing to identify and resolve any issues that arise.
- Providers and Nursing staff are required to watch an initial Sublocade Administration training video before administering the medication.



- VI.N.2. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

- N.2.i. ACH worked in collaboration with Custody at Main Jail to designate a specific housing pod for a Detox Unit to support consistent withdrawal monitoring as a result of a decreased need for quarantine pods. Two RNs are designated for MAT services and designated nurses are assigned to administer medications daily. Due to the implementation of the Detox Units, twice-daily checks are improving and being closely monitored.
- VI.N.2.ii. Nursing assessments include both physical findings, including a full set of vital signs, as well as psychiatric findings.
- VI.N.2.iii. Medication interventions have been updated to treat withdrawal syndromes and in sufficient doses to be efficacious. ACH Medical leadership will develop a protocol for starting patients on opiate withdrawal medications at intake based on history and self-reporting— rather than solely dependent upon assessment scoring. ACH will continue to discuss initiating medications at intake for patients not yet in alcohol and benzodiazepine withdrawal with Experts, Custody, and County Counsel due to patient safety concerns related to compounding depressants as well as risks associated with quick releases from Custody.

- VI.N.2.iv. Detoxification protocols are in place to instruct nurses on intervention and escalation when needed.
- VI.N.2.v. Nurse intake screening will declare patients experiencing life-threatening intoxication unfit and send them to the ER for appropriate treatment. For those experiencing life-threatening withdrawal post intake – the nurse conducting monitoring will alert SSO and providers of the need to transport to the ER when identified.
- The MAT policy was revised in August 2023.

**Withdrawal Monitoring Monthly Data Summary Report
September 2023**

Withdrawal Protocol Requirements					
Substance	WD Monitoring Required at Intake	Substance Use Assessment Form Completed at Intake	Breathalyzer ¹ Or UDS Performed, Refused, or Deferred Intake	Detox Housing Recommended at Intake	SUD Counselor Offered at Intake
Alcohol	8	7 (88%)	NA ¹	7 (88%)	5 (62%)
Benzo	2	2 (100%)	2 (100%)	2 (100%)	1 (50%)
Opioid	6	6 (100%)	5 (83%)	5 (83%)	3 (50%)
Total	16	15/16 (94%)	7/16 (44%)	14/16 (88%)	9/16 (56%)

¹Nurses were advised by Nursing Leadership via email on 7/10/23 to hold off on breathalyzer use at intake until further notice.

Withdrawal Monitoring Ordered				
Substance	WD Monitoring Required at Intake	WD Monitoring Ordered at Intake	WD Monitoring Ordered after Intake	WD Monitoring Not Ordered
Alcohol	8	7 (88%)	1 (12%)	0 (0%)
Benzo	2	1 (50%)	1 (50%)	0 (0%)
Opioid	6	4 (67%)	2 (33%)	0 (0%)
TOTAL	16	12/16 (75%)	4/16 (25%)	0 / 16 (0%)

Implementation of Withdrawal Monitoring Ordered				
Substance	WD Monitoring Ordered	Monitored Per Policy (5-7 Days, at least twice daily)	Monitored ≥ 3 Days (at least once daily)	Monitored < 3 Days
Alcohol	8	0 (0%)	7 (88%)	1 (12%)
Benzo	2	0 (0%)	1 (50%)	1 (50%)
Opioid	6	0 (0%)	5 (83%)	1 (17%)
TOTAL	16	0 / 16 (0%)	13/16 (81%)	3/16 (19%)

Withdrawal Medications Ordered				
Substance	WD Meds Required	WD Meds Ordered When Initially Indicated	WD Meds Ordered After Initially Indicated ¹	WD Meds Not Ordered ²
Alcohol	4	2 (50%)	1 (25%)	1 (25%)
Benzo	1	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (100%)
Opioid	5	3 (60%)	2 (40%)	0 (0%)
TOTALS	10	5/10 (50%)	3/10 (30%)	2/10 (20%)

Administration of Withdrawal Medications Ordered					
Substance	WD Meds Ordered	WD Meds Administered (< 0-3hrs of ordering)	WD Meds Administered (≥ 3 hrs and < 5 hrs of ordering)	WD Meds Administered (≥ 5hrs of ordering)	WD Meds Never Administered ¹
Alcohol	3	1 (33%)	1 (33%)	1 (33%)	0 (0%)
Benzo	0	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Opioid	5	2 (40%)	0 (0%)	3 (60%)	0 (0%)
TOTALS	8	3/8 (38%)	1/8 (12%)	4/8 (50%)	0 / 8 (0%)

¹ WD Meds were ordered after initially indicated either because (i) monitoring was done but indications were not heeded, OR (ii) monitoring was not ordered promptly OR (iii) monitoring was ordered but not done promptly.

² Pts who did not have WD Medications ordered, thus not administered, were not included in the Medications Ordered- Never Administered totals.

Provider (MD) Referral Ordered			
Substance	MD Referral Required	MD Referral Ordered	MD Referral Not Ordered ¹
Alcohol	4	3 (75%)	1 (25%)
Benzo	1	0 (0%)	1 (100%)
Opioid	5	5 (100%)	0 (0%)
TOTALS	10	8/10 (80%)	2/10 (20%)

Patients Seen by Provider (MD) after Referral				
Substance	MD Referral Ordered	Seen by MD Within Policy Timeframe	Seen by MD Beyond Policy Timeframe	Not Seen by MD ¹
Alcohol	3	3 (100%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Benzo	0	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Opioid	5	3 (60%)	2 (40%)	0 (0%)
TOTALS	8	6/8 (75%)	2/8 (25%)	0 / 8 (0%)

¹Pts who did not have an MD referral ordered, thus not seen, were not included in the Referrals Ordered- Not Seen by MD totals

Findings:

- Compared to last month:
 - The Substance Use Assessment form completion percentage decreased, from 93% in August to 88% in September.
 - WD Monitoring referral ordered at Intake percentage increased, from 67% in August to 75% in September.
 - The percentage of patients monitored at least once daily for three (3) days or more increased from 75% in August to 81% in September.
 - The percentage of patients who had WD treatment medications ordered when initially indicated decreased from 64% in August to 50% in September.
 - The percentage of patients having provider referrals ordered when needed increased, from 69% in August to 80% in September.

Nursing Protocols
(Section VI; Provision O.)

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

O. Nursing Protocols

1. Nurses shall not act outside their scope of practice.
2. To that end, the County shall revise its nursing standardized protocols to include assessment protocols that are sorted, based on symptoms, into low, medium, and high-risk categories.
 - a) Low-risk protocols would allow RNs to manage straightforward symptoms with over-the-counter medications;
 - b) Medium-risk protocols would require a consultation with a provider prior to treatment; and
 - c) High-risk protocols would facilitate emergency stabilization while awaiting transfer to a higher level of care.

Standardized Nursing Procedures (SNP):

- The Remedial Plan states that SNPs shall include assessment protocols that are sorted based on symptoms into low, medium, and high risk categories. Rather than label protocols as low, medium, and high risk, each SNP notes symptoms RNs may manage, those requiring a Provider consult, and those that require emergency stabilization.
- A total of 52 SNPs have been created and are available on the Intranet site. They include SNPs in the functional areas listed below.
 - General (1)
 - Abdominal (1) – *Medical Expert feedback received 08/05/22*
 - Allergies (1)
 - Cardiovascular & Lung (7)
 - Dental (1)
 - Endocrine (1)
 - Eyes, Ears, Nose & Throat (5)
 - Infection Control (1)
 - Musculoskeletal (2)

- Neurological (4)
- Pregnancy (1)
- Skin (13)
- Substance Use Disorders (4) – *Medical Expert feedback received 04/20/22*
- Urological (5)
- Sexually Transmitted Infections (5) – *Medical Expert feedback received 11/18/22*
- Nurse managers are reviewing other areas that may require SNPs.
- Registered Nurses have completed SNP testing for all SNPs which are current as of November 2022.
- Nursing is currently updating all SNPs into a new format, which will also serve as a contingency form. The new format is currently awaiting the Medical Expert’s feedback and approval.
 - After receiving the Medical Expert’s feedback and approval, the template will be uploaded and available in the EHR.

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.O.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The Nursing Director oversees two Senior Health Program Coordinators (nurse managers) responsible for overseeing nursing staff at each respective jail facility for continuity to overall nursing services.
 - Nursing has 14 Supervising Registered Nurses (SRNs) directly supervising nursing staff and daily operations.
 - Regularly scheduled meetings with nurse managers (Senior Health Program Coordinators and SRNs) and meetings with direct nursing staff include trainings on policies and procedures, review of QI audits and corrective action plans to strategize problem solving around areas of concern, announcements, etc.
 - Nursing Position Standards were created or revised for the Senior Health Program Coordinators, Supervising Registered Nurses, Infection Prevention Coordinator, Registered Nurses, Licensed Vocational Nurses, Medical Assistants, and Certified Nursing Assistants.
 - Nurses shall not act outside their scope of practice. Nurses shall demonstrate proficient knowledge, experience, and training in nursing principles and practices. They must maintain competency in performing nursing standardized procedure functions.
 - Nursing Services shall designate a supervising RN as staff development coordinator to ensure hiring, onboarding, and retention of nurses.

- New employees complete a structured onboarding process under the direct supervision of the staff development coordinator. The onboarding process is 9-12 weeks including initial new-hire orientation, competency and skills check, and preceptorship.
- The Nursing Director conducts concurrent medical chart reviews for nursing documentation and application of nursing practice. Staff who are not in compliance with policies and procedures receive additional training and mentorship as needed.
- The Training Coordinator (QI SRN) has begun implementing trainings for nursing and will be able to increase training to nursing staff during the next monitoring period.
- VI.O.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - A total of 52 SNPs have been completed consistent with this requirement; however, 4 Standardized Nursing Procedures have been finalized, 6 are in process of revision and development and 42 continue to be pending medical Expert review.

Review of In Custody Deaths

(Section VI; Provision P.)

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

P. Review in Custody Deaths

1. Preliminary reviews of in-custody deaths shall take place within 30 days of the death and shall include a written report of the circumstances of the events leading to the death, with the goal to identify and remedy preventable causes of death and any other potentially systemic problems.
2. Mortality reviews shall include an investigation of the events occurring prior to the death, an analysis of any acts or omissions by any staff or prisoners which might have contributed to the death, and the identification of problems for which corrective action should be undertaken.

Policies:

- ACH PP 01-08 Medical Review of In-Custody Deaths (revision 5/24/23) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.P.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Preliminary reviews of in-custody deaths take place within 30 days of the death and include a written Clinical Mortality Review report of the circumstances of the events leading to the death, with the goal to identify and remedy preventable causes of death and any other potentially systemic problems.
 - Leadership staff are notified when there is an in-custody death and review of the medical chart is initiated by key service line directors.
- VI.P.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Mortality reviews include an investigation of the events occurring prior to the death, an analysis of any acts or omissions by any staff or prisoners which may have contributed to the death, and the identification of problems for which corrective action should be undertaken.
 - ACH developed and implemented a tracking log and process that went into effect in February 2022.

- ACH schedules a joint administrative review meeting with Custody leadership within ten days of a patient death to determine if any immediate actions are required.
- Monthly multidisciplinary meetings are scheduled recurring to review the episode of care and develop corrective action plans when indicated to address systemic or training issues.
- ACH has implemented a monthly Mortality CAP meeting to monitor active corrective action plans until completed.
- Key ACH staff are on the distribution list for coroner's reports. Death certificates are obtained from Public Health staff when available. ACH designee initiates request for death certificates if not received timely.

Reentry Services

(Section VI; Provision Q.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

Q. Reentry Services

1. The County shall provide a 30-day supply of current medications to patients who have been sentenced and have a scheduled release date, immediately upon release.
2. Within 24 hours of release of any patient who receives prescription medications while in custody and is classified as pre-sentence, the County shall transmit to a designated County facility a prescription for a 30-day supply of the patient's current prescription medications.
3. The County, in consultation with Plaintiffs, shall develop and implement a reentry services policy governing the provision of assistance to chronic care patients, including outpatient referrals and appointments, public benefits, inpatient treatment, and other appropriate reentry services.

Policies:

- ACH PP 04-10 Discharge Medication (10/29/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 05-10 Discharge Planning for Reentry (revision 05/19/22) – *Final. This is a joint policy with Mental Health.*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VI.Q.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The County shall provide a 30-day supply of current medications to patients who have been sentenced and have a scheduled release date, immediately upon release.
 - Sentenced and court-ordered patients are provided a 30-day supply of prescribed medications when released. ACH staff are coordinating with SSO Custody for more accurate lists of potential release candidates in order to increase medications delivered at release. Alert is entered into Athena(eHr) to indicate (Conditional Release Flag - Medications prior to Release) to custody that patient must get medication prior to release.
 - Discharge medications continue to be provided to approximately 80% of eligible sentenced and 95% court-ordered patients upon release. Staff continue to work on the discharge medication release process with Medical leadership and Custody staff.
 - Planning discussions to support a 24-hour pharmacy at Main Jail during next fiscal year are in process, which will continue to increase medication distribution. Also, running reports in Athena that lists all sentenced patients on medication improves the notification process.
 - Presentenced patients may obtain a prescription for a 30-day supply of medication upon request at the County Primary Care Pharmacy. Under 5% of the patients pick up their medications from Primary Care Pharmacy. Due to lack of patients picking up prescriptions from Primary Care Medical Directors discontinued calling scripts in. Upon patients arriving at Primary Care, pharmacy communicates with ACH pharmacy and/or 2nd floor MD office to acquire prescriptions.
- VI.Q.2. NON-COMPLIANT
 - Within 24 hours of release of any patient who receives prescription medications while in custody and is classified as presentence, the County is to transmit to a designated County facility a prescription for a 30-day supply of the patient's current prescription medications. ACH was sending scripts to the Primary Care Clinic; however, due to the following, ACH no longer sends scripts to the Primary Care Clinic:
 - Extremely few to none were picking up prescriptions as compared to the time it takes for ACH to route prescriptions to the Primary Care Clinic.
 - A patient can request a prescription be filled from the Primary Care Clinic after release and ACH will fill the prescription.
 - ACH is participating in joint efforts working with SSO regarding the upcoming CalAIM 90-Day Prerelease benefit, which will include filling of prescriptions for those indicated upon release.

- Notification from SSO Custody prior to release is pertinent for preparation of medication upon release.
 - Filling prescriptions prior to release will increase the continuity of care as compared to sending the script to an offsite pharmacy.
 - ACH is required to develop and implement a plan by October 2024 on how to meet 90-day prerelease CalAIM requirements.
- VI.Q.3. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH developed and implemented a Discharge Planning for Reentry services policy governing the provision of assistance to chronic care patients, including outpatient referrals and appointments, public benefits, inpatient treatment, and other appropriate reentry services.
 - Discharge Planning policy was revised to become a joint policy with Mental Health and incorporates Expert feedback.
 - ACH meets internally and participates in County-wide meetings to address obstacles to improve discharge planning and successful linkage to ongoing care. Collaboration between ACH Medical and Mental health, SSO Custody, the Courts, community partners such as Sacramento Covered for ongoing medical needs and County Behavioral Health for individuals with serious mental illness (SMI) is necessary for successful discharge planning.
 - Designated Discharge Planning nurses work with patients with complex conditions to ensure there is continuity of care post-release.
 - SUD Counselor works with patients in need of continuity of SUD treatment.
 - Mental health staff are required to provide linkage of patients with SMI to County Mental Health – a workflow was created and MH staff were trained on the referral process.
 - County Behavioral Health established the *Community Justice Support Program* – a full-service partnership to serve justice-involved patients with serious mental illness. ACH Mental Health meets regularly with the program leadership to address barriers and collaborate on the referral process. A report was developed to capture the projected release date and level of care to identify patients with SMI and release dates within 6 weeks.
 - Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans rolled out a new benefit under the initiative California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM). CalAIM provides enhanced care management (ECM) and coordination for patients with intensive health/mental health needs.
 - This provision remains in partial compliance due to the need for more discharge planners.

**Training for SSO
(Section VI; Provision R.)**

Status: N/A

- Refer to SSO response. ACH collaborates with SSO on training as requested.

VII. SUICIDE PREVENTION

**Substantive Provisions
(Section VII; Provisions A.)**

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

A. Substantive Provisions

1. The County recognizes that comprehensive review and restructuring of its suicide assessment, monitoring, and prevention practices are necessary to address the risk of suicide and self-harm attendant to detention in a jail setting.
2. The County shall establish, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, a new Suicide Prevention Policy that shall be in accordance with the following: [see section B. Training]

Class Counsel outlined six areas for focus including revision of the Suicide Prevention Policy, changes to the policy and practice of Safety Suits, confidentiality at intake and for suicide risk assessment, property and privileges, and resuming a Suicide Prevention Task Force or a multidisciplinary committee.

Policies:

- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (revision 11/16/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

• VII.A.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

- The County recognizes that comprehensive review and restructuring of its suicide assessment, monitoring, and prevention practices are necessary to address the risk of suicide and self-harm attendant to detention in a jail setting.
- The Suicide Precautions and/or Grave Disability Observations – Custody Instructions form was created to provide MH staff directions regarding housing, observation level, property, privileges, and clothing restrictions.
- MH developed a training module called *Suicide Precautions and LCSW Role* and provided training to MH staff and custody leadership on the form and workflow.
- Began implementation of Morbidity and Mortality reviews during Suicide Prevention Subcommittee meetings in December 2021.
- Updated MH PP 04-07 Acute Psychiatric Unit Precautions and Observations to include relevant sections from the Suicide Prevention Program policy. Finalized June 2022.
- Complete weekly audits on MH compliance on determining and documenting housing, observation level, property, privileges, and clothing restrictions for patients placed on suicide precautions. Report findings to Suicide Prevention Subcommittee on monthly basis.
- Audit findings from January to October 2023, indicate MH is meeting substantial compliance when determining and documenting housing, observation level, property, privileges and clothing restrictions for patients place on suicide precautions.

Suicide Precautions-Weekly Audit-Monthly Report
July – December 2022, January – October 2023 Summary:

Month	Suicide Precautions form completed	MH assessments daily for restoration of privileges and property	Removal of privileges and property documented with clinical justification	Decisions about removal of clothing / safety smock recommended by MH staff	Daily assessments conducted to determine restoration of clothing or documentation of continued use
July 2022	93%	89%	88%	93%	89%
August 2022	99%	88%	100%	99%	88%
September 2022	98%	94%	98%	100%	94%
October 2022	98%	94%	98%	98%	94%

November 2022	97%	96%	98%	98%	96%
December 2022	100%	98%	100%	100%	98%
January 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
February 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
March 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
April 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
May 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
June 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
July 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
August 2023	100%	97%	100%	100%	97%
September 2023	100%	92%	100%	100%	90%
October 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

- Implemented monthly Suicide Prevention Multidisciplinary meetings to discuss patients with complex mental health needs who engage in self-injurious behaviors (July 2022).
- MH staff have received updated training on the new process of developing safety plans at the time of a Suicide Risk Assessment (SRA) evaluation starting in January 2023 with a pilot study with ongoing training. Audits of compliance will happen after all MH staff have been trained on the new process.
- VII.A.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - County ACH Mental Health established a Suicide Prevention Policy in agreement/approval with Class Counsel and the court-appointed Experts.

Training
(Section VII; Provisions B.)
Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

B. Training

1. The County shall develop, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, a four-to-eight-hour pre-service suicide prevention curriculum for new Jail employees (including custody, medical, and mental health staff), to be conducted in person in a classroom or virtual classroom setting, that includes the following topics:
 - a) avoiding obstacles (negative attitudes) to suicide prevention;
 - b) prisoner suicide research;
 - c) why facility environments are conducive to suicidal behavior;
 - d) identifying suicide risk despite the denial of risk;
 - e) potential predisposing factors to suicide;
 - f) high-risk suicide periods;
 - g) warning signs and symptoms;
 - h) components of the jail suicide prevention program
 - i) liability issues associated with prisoner suicide;
 - j) crisis intervention.
2. The County shall develop, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, a two-hour annual suicide prevention curriculum for all custody, medical, and mental health staff, to be conducted in person in a classroom or virtual classroom setting, that includes:
 - a) review of topics (a)-(j) above
 - b) review of any changes to the jail suicide prevention program
 - c) discussion of recent jail suicides or attempts
3. Custody officers assigned to Designated Mental Health Units shall receive additional specialized training on suicide prevention and working with prisoners with serious mental illness.
4. All mental health staff, including nurses, clinicians, and psychiatrists, shall receive additional training on how to complete a comprehensive suicide risk assessment and how to develop a reasonable treatment plan that contains specific strategies for reducing future suicidal ideation.

5. All mental health staff and custody officers shall be trained on the appropriate use of safety suits—i.e., not to be utilized as a default, not to be used as a tool in behavior management, not to be utilized for patients being observed at 30-minute observations.
6. The County shall ensure that all staff are trained in the new Suicide Prevention Policy.

Policies:

- ACH PP 03-08 Staff Development and Training (revision 03/03/23) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.B.1. a. – j. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - County ACH MH developed and implemented a four-hour Suicide Prevention training for new Jail employees (including SSO Custody, medical, and mental health staff) in agreement and approval from Class Counsel and court-appointed Experts.
 - The 4-hour Suicide Prevention Training for new employees was approved by Class Counsel and Suicide Prevention Expert in February 2022. MH staff worked with custody and medical staff to prepare for the training. The first training was conducted on June 2, 2022, and is ongoing. Staff are required to attend training within 3 months of hire.
- VII.B.2. a. – c. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - County developed a two-hour annual Suicide Prevention Training for all staff (SSO Custody, medical, and mental health staff) in agreement and approval from Class Counsel and court-appointed Experts.
 - MH began offering a 2-hour Suicide Prevention training to medical and custody staff in December 2021 and is ongoing. Staff attend on an annual basis.
- VII.B.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Custody officers assigned to Designated Mental Health Units receive additional specialized training on suicide prevention and working with prisoners with serious mental illness.
- VII.B.4. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - All mental health staff, including clinicians, and psychiatrists, receive additional training on how to complete a comprehensive suicide risk assessment and how to develop a reasonable treatment plan that contains specific strategies for reducing future suicidal ideation.
 - The Suicide Risk Assessment Training was approved by SME. Staff complete the training within 3 months of hire and again every 2 years.
- VII.B.5. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - All mental health staff and custody officers are trained on the appropriate use of safety suits—i.e., not to be utilized as a default, not to be used as a tool in behavior management, not to be utilized for patients being observed at 30- minute observations. This element has been incorporated into the Suicide Prevention Training.

- VII.B.6. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The Suicide Prevention Policy is incorporated in the Annual Suicide Prevention Training that is required for all staff.

Nurse Intake

(Section VII; Provisions C.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

C. Nursing Intake Screening

1. Intake screening for suicide risk will take place at the booking screening and prior to a housing assignment. If clinically indicated, JPS will then perform an additional clinical assessment after the inmate is placed in a housing assignment.
2. All nursing intake screening shall be conducted in an area that provides reasonable sound privacy and confidentiality. If a custody officer is present, the officer should be positioned in a place that allows for observation of the prisoner but maintains sound privacy, unless there is a clearly identified security or safety risk.
3. The County shall revise its nursing intake assessment procedures and screening forms to ensure timely identification of acute and high-risk mental health conditions, consistent with the recommendations made by Lindsey Hayes. Intake screening, as documented on screening forms, shall include:
 - a) Review of suicide risk notifications in relevant medical, mental health, and custody records, including as to prior suicide attempts, self-harm, and/or mental health needs;
 - b) Any prior suicidal ideation or attempts, self-harm, mental health treatment, or hospitalization;
 - c) Current suicidal ideation, threat, or plan, or feelings of helplessness and/or hopelessness;
 - d) Other relevant suicide risk factors, such as:
 - i. Recent significant loss (job, relationship, death of family member/close friend);
 - ii. History of suicidal behavior by family member/close friend;
 - iii. Upcoming court appearances;
4. Regardless of the prisoner's behavior or answers given during intake screening, a mental health referral shall always be initiated if there is a documented history related to suicide or self-harm, including during a prior incarceration.
5. The County shall develop and implement a written policy and procedure for referrals to mental health by intake staff. The policy shall correspond with the triage system and timeframes set forth in the Mental Health Remedial Plan.
6. Any prisoner expressing current suicidal ideation and/or current suicidal/self-injurious behavior shall be designated as an emergent referral and immediately referred to mental health staff.

Policies:

- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (revision 11/16/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 05-05 Nurse Intake (revision 12/01/22) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.C.1 SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Intake screening for suicide risk takes place at the booking Receiving Screening and prior to a housing assignment. If clinically indicated, a referral is made to ACH MH, who will then perform an additional clinical assessment after the patient is placed in a housing assignment.
- VII.C.2. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Nurse Intake stations were reconfigured in Booking to increase space and add soundboards to increase auditory privacy.
 - Sound machines have been placed in the nurse intake area for additional auditory privacy.
 - The new IHSF will need to be constructed to meet this requirement.
- VII.C.3. a. – e. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - County ACH revised the nursing Intake assessment procedures and screening forms to ensure timely identification of acute and high-risk mental health conditions, consistent with the recommendations made by the court-appointed Suicide Prevention Expert (Lindsey Hayes) to be consistent with this requirement.
 - Training has been developed for intake nurses on screening for mental health issues, suicide risk assessment screening, danger-to-self or others and grave disability and referral process for emergent MH evaluations. Formal Intake training by the Training Coordinator began December 2022.
- VII.C.4. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Regardless of a patient's behavior or answers given during intake screening, an automatic mental health referral is initiated if there is a documented history related to suicide or self-harm, including during a prior incarceration.
- VII.C.5. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - County ACH updated and implemented the Nurse Intake policy and procedure that includes referrals to mental health by Intake staff. The policy corresponds with the triage system and timeframes set forth in the Mental Health Remedial Plan.
- VII.C.6. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

- Any patient expressing current suicidal ideation and/or current suicidal/self-injurious behavior shall be designated as an emergent referral and immediately referred to mental health staff. See below for emergent referral data. Note the significant increase in emergent referrals since nurse intake questions and orders were changed due to this provision.
- Due to ongoing challenges with Intake nursing asking all suicide risk screening questions, QI Nursing began onsite monitoring of the nurse intake process, including suicide risk assessment questions to ensure compliance with screening requirements.

Emergent/Must See Referrals (January 2021 - September 2023)

2021

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL
301	202	264	268	291	293	286	337	383	369	426	467	3887

2022

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL
496	421	622	644	723	686	824	845	992	1267	1075	1213	9808

2023

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	TOTAL
1121	1032	1004	1043	1168	1398	1493	1121	1041	10,421

Post-Intake Mental Health Assessment Procedures

(Section VII; Provisions D.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

D. Post-Intake Mental Health Assessment Procedures

1. All mental health assessments shall be conducted in an area that provides reasonable sound privacy and confidentiality. If a custody officer is present, the officer should be positioned in a place that allows for observation of the prisoner but maintains sound privacy, unless there is a clearly identified security or safety risk.
2. Mental health staff shall conduct assessments within the timeframes defined in the mental health referral triage system.
3. The County shall revise its mental health assessment procedures and related forms to ensure identification of historical and current patient mental health and suicide risk information, consistent with the recommendations of the subject matter expert.

Policies:

- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (11/16/21) – *Final*
- MH PP 01-10 Access to Mental Health Services (revision 07/12/22) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.D.1. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH clinicians document whether assessments are confidential or non-confidential including rationale.
 - Structural/space issues continue to be a major barrier to achieving SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
- VII.D.2. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Mental health staff are required to conduct assessments within the timeframes defined in the mental health referral triage system.
 - Auditing of MH compliance meeting four (4) and six (6)-hour timelines to care is being completed and presented to MH QI Subcommittee and Suicide Prevention Subcommittee. Findings indicated that low staffing levels and high levels of emergent referrals are impacting compliance.

Safety Cell Placement with Emergent Referral to MH (* Previously Reported: Jun-Nov 2022)

Month	Safety Cell Placements	Seen w/in 4 Hours	Seen w/in 6 Hours	Not Seen w/in 4- or 6-Hour Timeline to Care	Avg Response Time
June 2022	18	6/18 (33%)	2/18 (11%)	10/18 (55%)	6.7 hrs.
July 2022	16	4/16 (25%)	6/16 (37.5%)	6/16 (37.5%)	6.0 hrs.
August 2022	11	4/11 (36%)	0/10 (0%)	7/11 (64%)	6.7 hrs.
September 2022	17	9/17 (53%)	2/17 (12%)	6/17 (35%)	5.5 hrs.
October 2022	10	4/10 (40%)	1/10 (10%)	5/10 (50%)	5.9 hrs.
November 2022	12	6/12 (50%)	3/12 (25%)	3/12 (25%)	4.6 hrs.
December 2022	17	8/17 (47%)	4/17 (24%)	5/17 (29%)	4.7 hrs.
Jan 2023	13	6/13 (46%)	2/13 (15%)	5/13 (38%)	5 hrs.
Feb 2023	7	3/7 (42%)	2/7 (29%)	2/7 (29%)	4.9 hrs.

Sobering Cell or Segregation Cell Placements with Emergent Referral to MH

Month	Sobering/Segregation Cell Placements	Seen w/in 6 Hours	Not Seen w/in 6- Hour Timeline to Care	Avg Response Time
June 2022	59	32/59 (54%)	27/59 (46%)	5.8 hrs.
July 2022	59	35/59 (59%)	24/59 (41%)	6.0 hrs.
August 2022	40	18/40 (45%)	22/40 (55%)	7.3 hrs.
September 2022	62	37/62 (60%)	25/62 (40%)	5.7 hrs.
October 2022	34	16/34 (47%)	18/34 (53%)	6.8 hrs.
November 2022	46	34/46 (74%)	12/46 (26%)	4.7 hrs.
December 2022	41	26/41 (63%)	15/41 (37%)	4.9 hrs
Jan 2023	43	27/43 (63%)	16/43 (37%)	6.2 hrs.
Feb 2023	48	30/48 (62%)	18/48 (38%)	6 hrs.

- VII.D.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

- MH has revised its mental health assessment procedures and related forms to ensure identification of historical and current patient mental health and suicide risk information, consistent with the recommendations of the subject matter expert.

- Nursing Intake and SRA forms have been updated and approved by SME.

**Response to Identification of Suicide Risk or Need for Higher Level of Care
(Section VII; Provisions E.)**

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

E. Response to Identification of Suicide Risk or Need for Higher Level of Care

1. When a prisoner is identified as at risk for suicide and placed by custody staff in a safety cell, on suicide precautions, and/or in a safety suit, mental health staff shall be contacted immediately. A qualified mental health professional, or other appropriately trained medical staff in consultation with mental health staff, shall complete a confidential in-person suicide risk assessment as soon as possible, consistent with the “must-see” referral timeline.
2. Consistent with current RCCC policy, if there is no mental health staff on site at RCCC at the time that an emergent mental health need is identified, the prisoner shall be transported to the Main Jail for emergency evaluation within two hours of the initial report.
3. The County shall revise its JPS suicide risk assessment procedures and forms in consultation with Plaintiffs. The County shall ensure that its JPS suicide risk assessment process, policies, and procedures consider and document the following:
 - a) Review of suicide risk notifications and records from any previous incarcerations at the Jail, including records pertaining to suicide attempts, self-harm, and/or mental health needs;
 - b) Other prior suicide ideation or attempts, self-harm, mental health treatment or hospitalization;
 - c) Current suicidal ideation, threat, or plan, or feelings of helplessness and/or hopelessness;
 - d) Suicide risk factors and protective factors, such as:
 - i. Recent significant loss (job, relationship, death of family member/close friend);
 - ii. History of suicidal behavior by family member/close friend;
 - iii. Upcoming court appearances;
 - e) Transporting officer’s impressions about risk;
 - f) Suicide precautions, including level of observation.
4. The County shall ensure that the meal service schedule or other custody-related activities cause no delay in the completion of suicide risk assessments for prisoners.

Policies:

- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (revision 11/16/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.E.1. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - When a patient is identified as at risk for suicide and placed by custody staff in a safety cell, on suicide precautions, and/or in a safety suit, mental health staff are required to be contacted immediately. A qualified mental health professional, or other appropriately trained medical staff in consultation with mental health staff, then complete a confidential in-person suicide risk assessment as soon as possible, consistent with the “must-see” referral timeline.
 - Regular auditing of MH compliance meeting four (4) and six (6)-hour timelines to care are being completed and presented to MH QI Subcommittee and Suicide Prevention Subcommittee. Findings indicated that low staffing levels and high levels of emergent referrals are impacting compliance.
- VII.E.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Consistent with current RCCC policy, if there is no mental health staff on site at RCCC at the time that an emergent mental health need is identified, the prisoner shall be transported to the Main Jail for emergency evaluation within two hours of the initial report.
 - MH provides a televisit option for after-hours emergent referrals. If a Main Jail MH clinician is not available to complete the televisit assessment, SSO transports the patient to the Main Jail for an evaluation.
- VII.E.3. a. – f. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH has revised its suicide risk assessment procedures and forms in consultation with Plaintiffs.
 - The Suicide Risk Assessment captures the information listed in this provision.
 - Suicide Risk Assessment and Suicide Prevention Program policy developed and revised in conjunction with SME and Class Counsel.
 - MH staff complete a review of the patients EHR, including previous and current records pertaining to suicide attempts, self-harm and/or mental health needs.
 - See Post-Intake Mental Health Assessment Procedures (Provision D.) for work accomplished in this area.

Housing of Inmates on Suicide Precautions

(Section VII; Provisions F.)

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

F. Housing of Inmates on Suicide Precautions

1. The County's policy and procedures shall direct that prisoners, including those identified as being at risk for suicide, be treated in the least restrictive setting appropriate to their individual clinical and safety needs.

Policies:

- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (11/16/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.F.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - County's ACH MH Suicide Prevention Program policy and procedure directs that patients, including those identified as being at risk for suicide, be treated in the least restrictive setting appropriate to their individual clinical and safety needs. MH policies state all patients, including those identified as being at risk for suicide, are treated in the least restrictive setting appropriate to their clinical needs.

Inpatient Placements

(Section VII; Provisions G.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

G. Inpatient Placements

1. The County shall ensure that prisoners who require psychiatric inpatient care as clinically indicated are placed in the 2P unit within 24 hours of identification, absent exceptional circumstances. In all cases, the provision of clinically indicated treatment to any prisoner requiring inpatient level of care shall be initiated within 24 hours.

Policies:

- MH PP 04-09 Acute Psychiatric Unit Admission, Program and Discharge (revision 11/22/23) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.G.1. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH staff ensures that patients are assessed for the APU and placed in the unit as soon as possible and within 24 hours when there is bed availability.
 - Patients who are on the preadmission list beyond 24 hours are assessed daily for continuous need of placement or clearance.
 - ACH has regular meetings with SSO Custody leadership to discuss space needs and options for increasing APU beds. See IOP, OPP, & Acute Bed Assessment & Planning (Section II. General Provision) for detail.
 - MH meets daily to discuss patients pending APU admission and triage level of care.
 - Facility deficiencies result in this area remaining non-compliant due to insufficient space for APU beds.

Temporary Suicide Precautions

(Section VII; Provisions H.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

H. Temporary Suicide Precautions

1. No prisoner shall be housed in a safety cell, segregation holding cell, or other Temporary Suicide Precautions Housing for more than six (6) hours. If mental health or medical staff determine it to be clinically appropriate based on detoxification-related needs, this time limit may be extended to no more than eight (8) hours. If exceptional circumstances prevent transfer within these timelines, those circumstances shall be documented, and transfer shall occur as soon as possible. This does not preclude the housing of a prisoner in the IOP unit if clinically indicated.
2. The County shall ensure, including by revising written policies and procedures where necessary, the timely and adequate completion of medical assessments for prisoners in need of suicide precautions, as required under Operations Order 4/05 (i.e., within 12 hours of placement of the next daily sick call, whichever is earliest, and then every 24 hours thereafter).
3. The County shall ensure that any cell used for holding prisoners on suicide precautions is clean prior to the placement of a new prisoner, as well as cleaned on a normal cleaning schedule.
4. The County shall create and implement a written policy ensuring adequate frequency for meals, fluids, hygiene, showers, prescribed medications, and toileting when a prisoner is in cell used for holding prisoners on suicide precautions.
5. Inmates on suicide precautions shall not automatically be on lockdown and should be allowed dayroom or out-of-cell access consistent with security and clinical judgments.
6. The classrooms or multipurpose rooms adjacent to the housing units in the Main Jail are designed for, and should be made available for, prisoner programs and treatment. Absent an emergency, the County shall not use the classrooms and multipurpose rooms to hold prisoners pending a mental health evaluation or on suicide precautions. Where such emergency occurs, the County shall document the reasons for retention and move the prisoner, within six (6) hours, to the inpatient unit or other appropriate housing location for continued observation, evaluation, and treatment.

Policies:

- MH PP 04-09 Acute Psychiatric Unit Admission, Program and Discharge (revision 11/22/23) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.H.2. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH revised the Mental Health policy 04-09 Acute Psychiatric Unit Admission, Program and Discharge (revision 11/30/22) including procedures to ensure the timely and adequate completion of medical assessments for patients in need of suicide precautions.
 - Patients are receiving a medical assessment within 12 hours of placement and every 24 hours after and is documented in Nurse Sick Call encounters.
 - If the patient is not transferred to the APU, the nurse continues to evaluate the patient. The APU Certified Nursing Assistant will monitor the patient once they move to the APU.
 - ACH and SSO are in discussion to determine how to reinstate the open bed SITHU. Plans are in process.
 - QI will develop an audit to monitor compliance.
- VII.H.6. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Classrooms are only being used for programs and treatment and no longer used to hold patients pending an evaluation or on suicide precautions.

**Supervision/Monitoring of Suicidal Inmates
(Section VII; Provisions J.)**

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

J. Supervision/Monitoring of Suicidal Inmates

1. The County shall ensure adequate visibility and supervision of prisoners on suicide precautions.
2. The County shall not cover cell windows with magnetic flaps or any other visual barrier preventing visibility into any cell that is housing a prisoner on suicide precautions or awaiting an inpatient bed, unless there is a specific security need and then for only a period of time necessary to address such security need.
3. The County shall revise its policies regarding the monitoring of prisoners on suicide precautions to provide for at least the following two defined levels of observation:
 - a) Close observation shall be used for prisoners who are not actively suicidal but express suicidal ideation (e.g., expressing a wish to die without a specific threat or plan) or have a recent prior history of self-destructive behavior. Close observation shall also be used for prisoners who deny suicidal ideation or do not threaten suicide but are engaging in other concerning behaviors indicating the potential for self-injury. Staff shall observe the prisoner at staggered intervals not to exceed every 15 minutes and shall document the observation as it occurs.
 - b) Constant observation shall be used for prisoners who are actively suicidal, either threatening or engaging in self-injury, and considered a high risk for suicide. An assigned staff member shall observe the prisoner on a continuous, uninterrupted basis. The observation should be documented at 15-minute intervals. Staff should be physically stationed outside of the prisoner's cell to permit continuous, uninterrupted observation.
4. For any prisoner requiring suicide precautions, a qualified mental health professional shall assess, determine, and document the clinically appropriate level of monitoring based on the prisoner's individual circumstances. Placement in a safety cell shall not serve as a substitute for the clinically-determined level of monitoring.
5. Video monitoring of prisoners on suicide precaution shall not serve as a substitute for Close or Constant observation.

Policies:

- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (11/16/21) – *Final*
- MH PP 01-10 Access to MH Services (07/12/22) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.J.1. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - SSO expanded the number of suicide resistant observation cells in the Suicidal Temporary Housing Unit (SITHU) at the Main Jail.
- VII.J.3. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH has revised its policies regarding the monitoring of patients on suicide precautions to provide for at least the following two defined levels of observation:
 - VII.J.3.a. Close Observation: Staff shall observe the patient at staggered intervals not to exceed every 15 minutes and shall document the observation as it occurs.
 - VII.J.3.b. Constant Observation: An assigned staff member shall observe the patient on a continuous, uninterrupted basis. The observation should be documented at 15-minute intervals. Staff should be physically stationed outside of the patient’s cell to permit continuous, uninterrupted observation. This is included in the ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program policy. Constant Observation began in March 2023 with the addition of Mental Health Worker positions.
 - This area remains in PARTIAL COMPLIANCE due to limited number of MHWs to providing constant observation. Requested budget augmentation FY 24/25 for additional MHWs.
- VII.J.4. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - For any patient requiring suicide precautions, a qualified mental health professional assesses, determines, and documents the clinically appropriate level of monitoring based on the patient’s individual circumstances. Placement in a safety cell shall not serve as a substitute for the clinically determined level of monitoring.
 - Licensed MH clinicians make these determinations and document them in the SRA and on the Suicide Precaution form given to custody and entered into ATIMS.

- SSO expanded the number of suicide resistant observation cells in the Suicidal Temporary Housing Unit (SITHU) at the Main Jail.
- MH hired staff and implemented constant observation level of monitoring in March 2023.
- VII.J.5. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Video monitoring of suicidal inmates ended in November 2021.

Treatment of Inmates Identified as at Risk of Suicide

(Section VII; Provisions K.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

K. Treatment of Inmates Identified as at Risk of Suicide

1. Qualified mental health professionals shall develop an individualized treatment plan and/or behavior management plan for every prisoner that mental health staff assesses as being a suicide risk.
2. Treatment plans shall be designed to reduce suicide risk and shall contain individualized goals and interventions. Treatment plans shall be reviewed following discharge from suicide precautions and updated as clinically indicated.
3. All assessments, treatment, and other clinical encounters shall occur in an area that provides reasonable sound privacy and confidentiality. If a custody officer is present, the officer should be positioned in a place that allows for observation of the prisoner but maintains sound privacy, unless there is a clearly identified security or safety risk.

Policies:

- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (11/16/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 08-08 Patient Privacy – Joint policy (05/13/21) – *Pending review by Medical Health Expert*
- MH PP 07-02 Treatment Planning (09/13/22) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.K.1. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

- MH staff have received updated training on the new process of developing safety plans at the time of an SRA evaluation starting in January 2023 with a pilot study with ongoing training. Audits of compliance will happen after all MH staff have been trained on the new process.
- VII.K.2. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Treatment plans are designed to reduce suicide risk and shall contain individualized goals and interventions. Treatment plans shall be reviewed following discharge from suicide precautions and updated as clinically indicated. MH staff have received training on this requirement in both SRA and Treatment Planning training.
- VII.K.3. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Staff utilize the confidential interview office in booking, classrooms, and attorney booths for confidential interviews when available. Facility deficiencies that result in a lack of confidential space keeps the status at PARTIAL COMPLIANCE.

**Conditions for Individual Inmates on Suicide Precautions
(Section VII; Provisions L.)**

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

L. Conditions for Individual Inmates on Suicide Precautions

1. The County's Suicide Prevention Policy shall set forth clear and internally consistent procedures regarding decisional authority for determining the conditions for individual inmates on suicide precautions. Mental health staff shall have primary authority, consistent with individualized classification and security needs, with respect to the following: [see M. Property and Privileges]

Policies:

- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (11/16/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII. L.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

- The Suicide Prevention Policy addresses MH's role as the primary authority to make decisions on property and privileges, use of safety suits, and discharge from suicide precaution based on clinical assessment.

Property and Privileges (Section VII; Provisions M.)
Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

M. Property and Privileges

1. Qualified mental health professionals shall have the primary responsibility to determine, based on clinical judgment and on a case-by-case basis in consultation with custody staff, depending on suicide risk, the removal and/or return of routine privileges (e.g., visits, telephone calls, recreation) that are otherwise within the limitations of a prisoner's classification security level. Any removal of privileges shall be documented with clinical justification in the prisoner's medical/mental health record and reviewed on a regular basis.
2. Qualified mental health professionals shall have the primary responsibility to determine, based on clinical judgment and on a case-by-case basis in consultation with custody staff depending on suicide risk, the removal and/or return of a prisoner's clothing and possessions (e.g., books, slippers/sandals, eyeglasses) that are otherwise within the limitations of a prisoner's classification security level. The removal of property shall be documented with clinical justification in the prisoner's medical/mental health record and reviewed on a regular basis.
3. Cancellation of privileges should be avoided whenever possible and utilized only as a last resort.

Policies:

- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (11/16/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.M.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

- Licensed MH clinicians make these determinations and document them in the SRA and on the Suicide Precaution form given to custody and entered into ATIMS.
- The Suicide Precautions and/or Grave Disability Observations – Custody Instructions Form was developed to document MH staff’s directions regarding housing, observation level, property, privileges, and clothing restrictions.
- MH provided training and created a workflow for staff on responsibilities related to suicide precautions and clinical decisions regarding housing, observation levels, privileges, clothing, and property in August 2021.
- MH completes weekly audits on compliance determining and documenting housing, observation level, property, privileges, and clothing restrictions for patients placed on suicide precautions. Findings are reported to Suicide Prevention Subcommittee on monthly basis.
- Suicide Precautions Audit findings from January to October 2023 indicate MH is meeting substantial compliance when determining and documenting housing, observation level, property, privileges and clothing restrictions for patients place on suicide precautions. (See audit results below)
- VII. M.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Licensed MH clinicians make these determinations and document them in the SRA and on the Suicide Precaution form given to custody and entered into ATIMS.
- VII.M.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Cancellation of privileges is avoided whenever possible and utilized only as a last resort consistent with policy.

**Suicide Precautions – Weekly Audit – Monthly Report
July - December 2022, January – October 2023 Summary**

Month	Suicide Precautions form completed	MH assessments daily for restoration of privileges and property	Removal of privileges and property documented with clinical justification	Decisions about removal of clothing / safety smock recommended by MH staff	Daily assessments conducted to determine restoration of clothing or documentation of continued use
July 2022	93%	89%	88%	93%	89%
August 2022	99%	88%	100%	99%	88%

September 2022	98%	94%	98%	100%	94%
October 2022	98%	94%	98%	98%	94%
November 2022	97%	96%	98%	98%	96%
December 2022	100%	98%	100%	100%	98%
January 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
February 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
March 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
April 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
May 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
June 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
July 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
August 2023	100%	97%	100%	100%	97%
September 2023	100%	92%	100%	100%	90%
October 2023	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

**Use of Safety Suits
(Section VII; Provisions N.)**

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

N. Use of Safety Suits

1. Decisions about the use of a safety suit (smock) or removal of normal clothing will be under mental health staff's authority, based on individualized clinical judgment along with input from custody staff.
2. Custody staff may only temporarily place an inmate in a safety suit based on an identified risk of suicide by hanging until the qualified mental health professional's evaluation, to be completed within the "must see" referral timeline. Upon completion of the mental health evaluation, the mental health professional will determine whether to continue or discontinue use of the safety suit.
3. If an inmate's clothing is removed, the inmate shall be issued a safety suit and safety blanket.
4. As soon as clinically appropriate, the provision of regular clothing shall be restored. The goal shall be to return full clothing to the inmate prior to discharge from suicide precautions.
5. A qualified mental health professional shall conduct daily assessments of any prisoner in a safety suit and document reasons for continued use when clinically indicated.
6. If a qualified mental health professional determines that 30-minute (or less frequent) observations are warranted for a prisoner, safety suits shall not be used on that prisoner.
7. Safety suits shall not be used as a tool for behavior management or punishment.

Policies:

- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (11/16/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.N.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Licensed MH clinicians make these determinations and document them in the SRA and on the Suicide Precaution form given to custody and entered into ATIMS. (See data above).
- VII.N.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

- In these instances, a qualified mental health professional completes an evaluation within the “must see” referral timeline. Upon completion of the mental health evaluation, the mental health professional determines whether to continue or discontinue use of the safety suit.
- VII.N.4. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH assesses the need for continued safety suit daily. Regular jail issued clothing is restored as soon as clinically indicated.
- VII.N.5. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - All patients on the pre-admit list and in the APU are seen daily to assess continued use of safety suit, observation level and restriction of property and privileges. MH documents clinical justification for continued use of the safety suit and/or restriction of property and privileges.
- VII.N.6. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - When MH determines that 30-minute (or less frequent) observations are warranted for a patient, safety suits are not be used on that patient.
- VII.N.7. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Safety suits are not used as a tool for behavior management or punishment.
 - All staff are trained on this during the Annual Suicide Prevention Training.

Beds and Bedding
(Section VII; Provisions O.)

Status: N/A

O. Beds and Bedding

1. All prisoners housed for more than four hours on suicide precautions and/or in an inpatient placement shall be provided with an appropriate bed, mattress, and bedding unless the prisoner uses these items in ways for which they were not intended (e.g., tampering or obstructing visibility into the cell). Such a determination shall be documented and shall be reviewed on a regular basis.

Policies:

- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (11/16/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.O.1. See SSO response.
 - This is an element tracked by SSO.
 - Custody distributed new suicide-resistant mattresses to the high acuity MH housing areas and safety cells in May 2022.

Discharge from Suicide Precautions

(Section VII; Provisions P.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

P. Discharge from Suicide Precautions

1. A qualified mental health professional shall complete and document a suicide risk assessment prior to discharging a prisoner from suicide precautions in order to ensure that the discharge is appropriate and that appropriate treatment and safety planning is completed.
2. Treatment plans shall be written for all prisoners discharged from suicide precautions. The treatment plan shall describe signs, symptoms, and circumstances in which the risk for suicide is likely to recur, how recurrence of suicidal thoughts can be avoided, and actions the patient or staff can take if suicidal thoughts do occur.
3. Qualified mental health professionals shall provide clinical input regarding clinically appropriate housing placement (e.g., whether isolation is contraindicated for the prisoner) upon discharge. Custody and classification shall consider such clinical input in determining post-discharge placement and conditions of confinement. Once clinically discharged from suicide precautions, the prisoner shall be promptly transferred to appropriate housing.
4. Prisoners discharged from suicide precautions shall remain on the mental health caseload and receive regularly scheduled clinical assessments and contacts. Unless a prisoner's individual circumstances direct otherwise, a qualified mental health professional shall provide follow-up assessment and clinical contacts within 24 hours of discharge, again within 72 hours of discharge, again within one week of discharge.

Policies:

- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (11/16/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.P.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - A qualified mental health professional completes and documents a suicide risk assessment prior to discharging a patient from suicide precautions in order to ensure that the discharge is appropriate, and that appropriate treatment and safety planning is completed.
- VII.P.2. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The treatment plan describes signs, symptoms, and circumstances in which the risk for suicide is likely to recur, how recurrence of suicidal thoughts can be avoided, and actions the patient or staff can take if suicidal thoughts do occur. MH staff have received training as part of the SRA and Treatment Planning trainings to ensure treatment goals are included to reduce suicide risk. Auditing of charts is needed to ensure SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE.
- VII.P.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH provides clinical input regarding clinically appropriate housing placement (e.g., whether isolation is contraindicated for the prisoner) upon discharge. Custody and classification shall consider such clinical input in determining post-discharge placement and conditions of confinement. Once clinically discharged from suicide precautions, the prisoner shall be promptly transferred to appropriate housing.
 - Patients are transferred to the IOP (based upon bed availability) and/or assigned a clinically appropriate level MH care at time of discharge from the APU.
- VII.P.4 PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Patients who are discharged from the APU after being treated for a suicide attempt or ideation receive follow up MH appointments (24 hours, 72 hours, and 5 days).
 - Patients on the APU pre-admit list who have been discharged from suicide precautions receive follow-up MH appointments (24 hours, 72 hours again within one week of discharge)
 - PARTIAL COMPLIANCE pending audit and confirmation that timelines to care are being met.

Summary: July 2023 – September 2023

Total Discharges Reviewed Between June 2023 to September 2023	Patients seen within 24 hours of discharge	Patients seen within 72 hours of discharge	Patients seen within 5 days of discharge
19	13	14	11
	4 N/A	5 N/A	5 N/A
TOTAL	13/15 (87%)	14/14 (100%)	11/14 (79%)

N/A = not applicable. This number is subtracted from the total number of discharges reviewed due to patient being: TEMP OUT, released or placed back on the preadmit list.

Previously reported data (January 2023 – June 2023)

Total Discharges Reviewed Between June 2023 to September 2023	Patients seen within 24 hours of discharge	Patients seen within 72 hours of discharge	Patients seen within 5 days of discharge
28	18/21 (86%)	19/20 (95%)	16/18 (89%)

**Emergency Response
(Section VII; Provisions Q.)**

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

Q. Emergency Response

1. The County shall keep an emergency response bag that includes appropriate equipment, including a first aid kit, CPR mask or Ambu bag, and emergency rescue tool in close proximity to all housing units. All custodial and medical staff be trained on the location of this emergency response bag and shall receive regular training on emergency response procedures, including how to use appropriate equipment.
2. All custody and medical staff shall be trained in first aid and CPR.
3. It shall be the policy of the County that any staff who discovers an inmate attempting suicide shall immediately respond, survey the scene to ensure the emergency is genuine, and alert other staff to call for medical personnel. Trained staff shall

Policies:

- ACH PP 04-11 Emergency Equipment (revision 08/25/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 04-12 Emergency Medical Response (revision 05/19/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 04-13 Man-Down Drill (08/21/20) – *In review and revision*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.Q.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The County shall keep an emergency response carts and bag that includes appropriate equipment, including a first aid kit, CPR mask or Ambu bag, and emergency rescue tool in close proximity to all housing units. All custodial and medical staff be trained on the location of this emergency response bag and shall receive regular training on emergency response procedures, including how to use appropriate equipment.
 - ACH health staff maintains emergency equipment and supplies to ensure availability and operability in the event of an emergency. A monthly inventory check is performed to ensure that supplies are not expired.
- VII.Q.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - All Medical staff are required to be trained in first aid and CPR. QI tracks this area for compliance and reporting.
 - All staff shall receive regular training on emergency procedures including how to use emergency equipment.
 - Man down drills are practiced once a year on each shift at each jail facility. These drills are debriefed, and results are shared with all health staff, and recommendations for health staff are acted upon.
- VII.Q.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - It is the policy of the County that any staff who discovers an inmate attempting suicide shall immediately respond, survey the scene to ensure the emergency is genuine, and alert other staff to call for medical personnel. Trained staff begins to administer standard first aid and/or CPR, as appropriate.

Quality Assurance and Quality Improvement

(Section VII; Provisions R.)

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

R. Quality Assurance and Quality Improvement

1. The County shall establish regularly scheduled multidisciplinary meetings related to treatment, and plan of care issues, on a monthly basis, between medical, and mental health personnel.
2. The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, revise its in-custody death review policy and procedures. Reviews shall be conducted with the active participation of custody, medical, and mental health staff. Reviews shall include analysis of policy or systemic issues and the development of corrective action plans when warranted.
3. For each suicide and serious suicide attempt (e.g., requiring hospitalization), the County's Suicide Prevention Task Force shall review: 1) the circumstances surrounding the incident; 2) the procedures relevant to the incident; 3) all relevant training received by involved staff; 4) pertinent medical and mental health services/reports involving the victim; and 5) any possible precipitating factors that may have caused the victim to commit suicide or suffer a serious suicide attempt. Where applicable, the Review Team shall generate recommendations for changes in policy, training, physical plant, medical or mental health services, and operational procedures.
4. The County will track all critical incidents which include prisoner suicides, attempted suicides, and incidents involving serious self-harm. The County shall review critical incidents and related data through its quality assurance and improvement processes.
5. The County shall implement a continuous quality assurance/quality improvement plan to periodically audit suicide prevention procedures that include, but are not limited to: intake screening (to include audits to ensure that staff ask and record all suicide screening questions), mental health assessments, suicide risk assessments, crisis response, and treatment plans/behavior management plans for prisoners identified as being at risk of suicide or self-harm.

Policies:

- ACH PP 01-07 Quality Improvement Program (revised 04/13/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 01-08 Medical Review of In-Custody Deaths (revised 5/24/23) – *Final*
- ACH PP 01-15 Suicide Prevention Committee (revised 09/17/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program (11/16/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VII.R.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH implemented monthly Suicide Prevention Multidisciplinary meetings to discuss patients with complex mental health needs who engage in self-injurious behaviors (July 2022).
- VII.R.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH has, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, revised its in-custody death review policy and procedures. Reviews are conducted with the active participation of custody, medical, and mental health staff. Reviews include analysis of policy or systemic issues and the development of corrective action plans when warranted.
- VII.R.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The Suicide Prevention Subcommittee established a Morbidity and Mortality (M&M) Review for cases meeting provision criteria in December 2021.
 - The M&M Workgroup reviews cases and reports findings back to Suicide Prevention Subcommittee.
- VII.R.4 SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH tracks incidents of suicide, attempted suicide and serious self-harm.
 - MH completes incident reports and reviews on deaths by suicide, attempted suicide and serious self-harm and submits incident reports to ACH QI for review and tracking.
- VII.R.5. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH convened a multidisciplinary Suicide Prevention Subcommittee to review, track, and audit the requirements.
 - Suicide Prevention Subcommittee moved meetings from a quarterly to monthly schedule to improve communication, implement Suicide Prevention training, and complete morbidity and mortality reports in a timely manner.
 - MH completes Suicide Precaution Weekly Audits and reports results to Suicide Prevention Subcommittee on a monthly basis.
 - MH completes audits of 4 and 6-hour timelines to care and reports findings and recommendations to MH QI and Suicide Prevention Subcommittees.
 - MH complete audits of number of confidential versus non-confidential contacts and present findings and recommendations to MH QI Subcommittee.

- Completed quarterly baseline studies of MH Rules Violation Reviews and presented findings and recommendations to MH QI Subcommittee.
- Completed QI study of MHs timeliness to medication verification and initiation following intake referral and presented findings and recommendations to MH QI Subcommittee. As a result of study findings worked with nursing leadership to message intake nurses on importance of identifying community pharmacy and created a hard-stop in intake form that requires response if patient indicates they receive medication in the community.
- Completed Multidisciplinary Intervention Plan (MDIP) Audit to determine the number of completed MDIPs. Used this data to meet with staff and discuss importance of considering MDIPs for patients who meet criteria.
- Completed QI study utilizing the APU Daily Patient Activity Report which staff use to track custody support on the APU. As a result of the study, identified need for additional deputies and worked with SSO to increase deputy coverage on the APU.
- Utilized new reporting feature in Athena that tracks number of groups offered and cancelled and developed QI study that highlighted reasons for cancelled groups. Shared results and recommendations with MH QI Subcommittee.
- Developed baseline MDT and Treatment Planning study to identify compliance with treatment planning and MDTs in IOP and APU. Presented findings and recommendations to MH QI Subcommittee.
- Completed study on the number of MH referrals and completed encounters by clinicians and prescribers and presented findings to MH QI Subcommittee.
- Completed APU Discharge Follow-ups and Timelines to Care report and presented findings and recommendations to MH QI and Suicide Prevention Subcommittees.

VIII. SEGREGATION/RESTRICTED HOUSING

Mental Health Functions in Segregation Units

(Section VIII; Provisions C.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

C. Mental Health Functions in Segregation Units

1. Segregation Placement Mental Health Review

- a) All prisoners placed in a non-disciplinary Segregation housing unit and all prisoners housed in a Disciplinary Detention unit shall be assessed by a qualified mental health professional within 24 hours of placement to determine whether such placement is contraindicated. All prisoners subjected to Disciplinary Segregation conditions for 72 hours in their general population housing unit (i.e., confined to cell 23 hours per day) shall also be assessed by a qualified mental health professional no later than the fourth day of such placement.
- b) Any decision to place prisoners with Serious Mental Illness in Segregation shall include the input of a qualified mental health professional who has conducted a clinical evaluation of the prisoner in a private and confidential setting (absent a specific current risk that necessitates the presence of custody staff), is familiar with the details of the available clinical history, and has considered the prisoner's mental health needs and history.
- c) Mental Health Staff shall consider each prisoner's age and cognitive functioning as part of the Segregation Placement review. Staff shall receive training regarding the features of youth and brain development of young adults (i.e., 24 years old and younger) and the needs of individuals with intellectual disabilities.
- d) If mental health or medical staff find that a prisoner has a Serious Mental Illness or has other contraindications to Segregation, that prisoner shall be removed from Segregation absent exceptional and exigent circumstances.
- e) The County shall document and retain records of all Segregation Placement mental health evaluations, as described above. The County shall consult with Plaintiffs regarding such documentation, including the development of new forms where necessary.

2. Segregation Rounds and Clinical Contacts

- a) Cell checks (to ensure that prisoners are safe and breathing) shall be conducted for all prisoners in Segregation at least every 30 minutes, at staggered intervals. Completion of cell checks will be timely documented.
- b) A qualified mental health or medical professional shall conduct check-ins at least once a week, to assess and document the health status of all prisoners in Segregation, and shall make referrals as necessary. The check-in shall include a brief conversation with each prisoner, a visual observation of the cell, and an inquiry into whether the prisoner would like to request a confidential meeting with a mental health or medical provider. Steps shall be taken to ensure effective communication, as well as auditory privacy consistent with security needs. When a prisoner in Segregation requests a confidential meeting with a mental health or medical provider, or the medical or mental health professional identifies a mental health or medical need, staff shall make appropriate arrangements to include triage, examination and treatment in an appropriate clinical setting. In such cases, staff shall give the prisoner the opportunity to complete a health care request but will otherwise initiate a referral without requiring the prisoner to complete a request form.

3. Response to Decompensation in Segregation

- a) If a prisoner in Segregation develops signs or symptoms of mental illness where such signs or symptoms had not previously been identified, suffers deterioration in his or her mental health, engages in self-harm, or develops a heightened risk of suicide, the prisoner shall immediately be referred for appropriate assessment and treatment from a qualified mental health professional who will recommend appropriate housing and/or programming.
- b) Jail staff shall follow a mental health recommendation to remove a prisoner from Segregation unless such removal poses a current safety risk that is documented. In such a case, the Commander or management-level designee shall be notified and staff shall work to remove the prisoner from Segregation and secure a placement in an appropriate treatment setting at the earliest possible time.

Policies:

- ACH PP 05-22 Patients in Segregation (05/31/22) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VIII.C.1. a. – e. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH staff provide case management to patients with serious mental illness who are in segregated housing.

- 3E 100 was converted to single cells for patients on the MH caseload and eliminates need to classify as administrative segregation when MH recommends single-celled housing.
- Developed 24 high acuity/high security male IOP beds at the Rio Cosumnes Correctional Center – the majority of patients admitted were housed in administrative segregation.
- Collaboration occurred with Custody on the development of the RVR and Administrative Segregation referral form and trained custody on referral process in December 2021.
- MH provided updated training on MH RVR and Administrative Segregation Reviews following SME recommendations related to Administrative Segregation assessment in April 2023.
- MH has hired six of eleven MH RVR and Ad Seg clinicians.
- VIII.C.2. a. – b. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Began Administrative Segregation MH assessments in December 2021.
 - MH staff provide case management to patients with serious mental illness who are in segregated housing.
- MH continues to collaborate with custody on efficient use of attorney booths for patients in administrative segregation.VIII.C.3.
 - a. – b. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Patients developing signs/symptoms of decompensation are referred to mental health for assessment.
 - MH staff provide case management to patients with serious mental illness who are in segregated housing and monitor for decompensation.

Placement of Prisoners with Serious Mental Illness in Segregation

(Section VIII; Provisions D.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

D. Placement of Prisoners with Serious Mental Illness in Segregation

1. Prisoners with a mental health condition meeting criteria for placement in a Designated Mental Health Unit (2P, IOP, OPP) will not be placed in Segregation, but rather will be placed in an appropriate treatment setting – specifically, the inpatient unit or other Designated Mental Health Unit providing programming as described in Exhibit A-2.
2. In rare cases where a prisoner with a mental health condition meeting criteria for placement in a Designated Mental Health Unit presents an immediate danger or significant disruption to the therapeutic milieu, and there is no reasonable alternative, such a prisoner may be housed separately for the briefest period of time necessary to address the issue, subject to the following:
 - a) The prisoner shall receive commensurate out-of-cell time and programming as described in Exhibit A-2 (including for IOP and OPP, 10 hours/week of group treatment/structured activities, 7 hours/week unstructured out-of-cell time, weekly individual clinical contact) with graduated programming subject to an individualized Alternative Treatment Program.
 - b) The prisoner shall receive the following:
 - i. As part of the weekly confidential clinical contact, the clinician shall assess and document the prisoner's mental health status and the effect of the current placement on his or her mental health, and determine whether the prisoner has decompensated or is at risk of decompensation.
 - ii. The weekly check-ins described in Section VIII.C.2.b shall supplement, and not be a substitute for, the weekly treatment session described herein.
 - iii. Treatment provided in the least restrictive setting that is appropriate based on the prisoner's circumstances.
 - iv. Privileges commensurate with the Designated Mental Health Unit program, unless modified in an Alternative Treatment Program based on individual case factors that are regularly reviewed.
 - v. Daily opportunity to shower.
3. A prisoner with Serious Mental Illness requiring restraints (e.g., handcuffs, belly chains, etc.) shall not be denied clinically indicated group or individual treatment due to security factors, absent exceptional circumstances that are documented. Prisoners with Serious Mental Illness housed in Segregation who require restraints when out of cell shall have the opportunity to work their way out of restraints through graduated programming subject to an individualized Alternative Treatment Program.

Policies:

- ACH PP 05-22 Patients in Segregation (05/31/22) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VIII.D.1. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Patients with a mental health condition meeting criteria for placement in a Designated Mental Health Unit (APU, IOP, OPP) are not to be placed in Segregation, but rather will be placed in an appropriate treatment setting – specifically, the inpatient unit or other Designated Mental Health Unit providing programming as described in Exhibit A-2.
 - 3E 100 was converted to single cells for patients on the MH caseload and eliminates need to classify as administrative segregation when MH recommends single-celled housing.
 - Developed 24 high acuity/high security male IOP beds at the Rio Cosumnes Correctional Center – the majority of patients admitted were housed in administrative segregation.
 - Remains PARTIALLY COMPLIANT due to insufficient APU and IOP beds.
- VIII.D.2.a. – b. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - In rare cases where a patient with a mental health condition meeting criteria for placement in a Designated Mental Health Unit presents an immediate danger or significant disruption to the therapeutic milieu, and there is no reasonable alternative, that patient may be housed separately for the briefest period of time necessary to address the issue.,
 - Alternative Treatment Plans are utilized in IOP and Multidisciplinary Intervention Plans are utilized in OPP and EOP to address significant or dangerous behaviors or significant disruptions to the therapeutic milieu.
- VIII.D.3. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - A patient with Serious Mental Illness requiring restraints (e.g., handcuffs, belly chains, etc.) shall not be denied clinically indicated group or individual treatment due to security factors, absent exceptional circumstances that are documented. Patients with Serious Mental Illness housed in Segregation who require restraints when out of cell have the opportunity to work their way out of restraints through graduated programming subject to an individualized Alternative Treatment Program.
 - MH developed 24 high acuity/high security male IOP beds at the Rio Cosumnes Correctional Center – the majority of patients admitted were housed in administrative segregation.

- IOP patients who are subject to restrictions of property, privileges, or out-of-cell time are placed on an Alternative Treatment Plan. The multidisciplinary team meets daily to discuss the patient's progress and the transition of the patient from ATP to general programming.

Restraint Chairs (Section VIII; Provisions J.)
ACH Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

J. Restraint Chairs

1. Restraint chairs shall be utilized for no more than six hours.
2. The placement of a prisoner in a restraint chair shall trigger an "emergent" mental health referral, and a qualified mental health professional shall evaluate the prisoner to assess immediate and/or long-term mental health treatment needs.
3. The opinion of a qualified medical professional on placement and retention in a restraint chair will be obtained within one hour from the time of placement.

Policies:

- ACH PP 05-21 Restraints and Seclusion – Joint policy (revision 08/29/22) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- VIII.J.2. See SSO Response
 - The placement of a prisoner in a restraint chair triggers an "emergent" mental health referral, and a qualified mental health professional evaluates the prisoner to assess immediate and/or long-term mental health treatment needs.
 - MH assesses all patients referred by SSO in a WRAP within an hour of receiving the referral.
- VIII.J.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - MH assesses all patients referred by SSO in a WRAP within an hour of receiving the referral.

IX. QUALITY ASSURANCE SYSTEMS FOR HEALTH CARE TREATMENT

Generally

(Section IX; Provisions A.)

Status: SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE

A. Generally

1. The County shall develop and implement, in collaboration with Plaintiffs' counsel, a quality assurance ("QA") plan to regularly assess and take all necessary measures to ensure compliance with the terms of this Remedial Plan.
2. The QA/QI Unit shall meet regularly and include representatives from all levels of the organization and from all facilities. The meeting shall include custody representatives for topics that are relevant to custody operations.
3. The County shall provide sufficient resources to the QA/QI program.

Prior to the Remedial Plan, there were limited Quality Improvement (QI) policies and practices as a result of no dedicated staff, no data, and no QI audits. Extensive actions have been taken to expand the QI structure as listed below.

Policies:

- ACH PP 01-07 Quality Improvement Program (revised 04/13/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 01-13 Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee (revised 02/04/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 01-14 Utilization Management (revision 05/05/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 01-15 Suicide Prevention Subcommittee (09/17/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 01-18 Utilization Management Subcommittee (05/05/22) – *Final*
- Injury and Illness Prevention (IIPP) PP 01-02 Safety Subcommittee (initial 07/10/20)

Compliance Status by Section:

- IX.A.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Many data reports have been developed and will continue to be developed – including audit reports and semiannual data reports.
 - QI audits are developed as policies are implemented and staff are trained to audit.
 - Staff continues to audit areas of focus on a regular basis. Examples include disability identification and documentation, diabetes management, and referrals at intake. Audit data is shared with service line managers for appropriate actions.
 - Several new audits were developed and conducted during the monitoring period. Examples include chronic disease management, health service request audits, and onsite monitoring audits.
 - New audit tools are continuously being developed and will be developed during the next monitoring period due to additional staffing.
 - Consent Decree training was developed and provided to medical and mental health staff in late 2021 and early 2022. The training is provided to new staff during new hire orientation.
 - A Utilization Review (UR) team formed in December 2022 and met to discuss UR tools and other logistics.
 - Monthly Continuous Quality Improvement meetings started March 2023 to review randomly selected cases pulled from patient grievances.
 - The review team includes a provider, QI RN, QI Coordinator, QI Director, and Medical Director.
 - Targeted reviews may result from the original UR and tools will be revised as needed.
- IX.A.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Quality Improvement Committee and several subcommittees (Pharmacy & Therapeutics, Mental Health QI, and Safety) meet quarterly. The meetings are multidisciplinary.
 - The Suicide Prevention Subcommittee changed to monthly meetings, effective November 2021.
 - A Utilization Management Subcommittee was formed and began meeting quarterly in October 2021.
 - The Safety Subcommittee will be refocused to include infection control in 2023 and led by a designated nurse manager.
 - QI staff updated a list of reports and created a list of audits based on the indicators listed in the Remedial Plan. The lists clarify types of data for review in each subcommittee. These documents have been reviewed with service line managers in the Quality Improvement Committee and the MH QI Committee. QI will monitor progress.
- IX.A.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - The QI team currently includes a total of nine (8) positions, including:
 - QI Director

- Two (2) QI Coordinators
 - Two (2) QI Nurses
 - Two (2) Senior Office Assistants
 - Administrative Services Officer II
- The Training Coordinator position was moved under Nursing, effective December 2023.
 - The two QI Nurse positions were filled and began employment in late May and early June 2022. These positions will increase training and audits in the next monitoring period.
 - The second Senior Office Assistant was added to the QI team in November 2022.
 - A new Health Program Manager position (QI Director) was approved in the budget for FY 2022/23 and started in January 2023.
 - The QI Director will lead the QI team and take point on the Consent Decree planning, which has been led by the Health Services Administrator.
 - The Administrative Services Officer II position was filled and started March 2023.
 - The demands of the QI team continue to grow and therefore the need for additional positions continue to grow as well. See section III.K.1 for reasoning for an additional QI RN position.

Quality Assurance, Mental Health Care

(Section IX; Provisions B.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

B. Quality Assurance, Mental Health Care

1. The JPS Medical Director, the JPS Program Manager, jail administrators, and the medical psychiatric, dental, and nursing directors, or appropriate designees, will attend and participate in this process at a minimum of every quarter. Formal minutes will be taken and maintained whenever the committee convenes.
2. The mental health care quality assurance plan shall include, but is not limited to, the following:
 - a) Intake processing;
 - b) Medication services;
 - c) Screening and assessments;
 - d) Use of psychotropic medications;
 - e) Crisis response;
 - f) Case management;
 - g) Out-of-cell time;
 - h) Timeliness of clinical contacts;
 - i) Provision of mental health evaluation and treatment in confidential settings;
 - j) Housing of inmates with SMI, including timeliness of placements in higher levels of care and length of stay in various units;
 - k) Number of commitments pursuant to Welf. & Inst. Code § 5150, et seq.;
 - l) Use of restraint and seclusion;
 - m) Tracking and trending of agreed upon data on a quarterly basis;
 - n) Clinical and custody staffing;
 - o) Morbidity and mortality reviews with critical analyses of causes or contributing factors, recommendations, and corrective action plans with timelines for completion; and
 - p) Corrective action plans with timelines for completion to address problems that arise during the implementation of this Remedial Plan and prevent those problems from reoccurring.
3. The County will conduct peer and supervisory reviews of all mental health staff and professionals at least annually to assess compliance with policies and procedures and professional standards of care.

Policies:

- ACH PP 01-07 Quality Improvement Program (revised 04/13/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 01-15 Suicide Prevention Subcommittee (09/17/21) – *Final*

Compliance Status by Section:

- IX.B.1. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Mental health representatives participate in all QI meetings. There are three specific mental health multidisciplinary subcommittees: Mental Health (chaired by the MH Program Manager), Suicide Prevention (chaired by the MH Medical Director). The MH QI Subcommittee meets quarterly, and Suicide Prevention Subcommittee meets monthly. The chair will attend all subcommittee meetings or will assign a designee.
- IX.B.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Audit tools are in development related to mental health and suicide prevention Remedial Plan provisions.
 - Morbidity and Mortality reviews of serious suicide attempts are reviewed at each Suicide Prevention Subcommittee meeting. Staff adopted a Review Checklist suggested by the Suicide Prevention expert.
 - Committee Chairs are responsible to ensure indicators are reviewed and tracked.
- IX.B.3. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - All MH staff undergo performance evaluations every year. MH is also working on implementing a peer review process.

Quality Assurance, Medical Care

(Section IX; Provisions C.)

Status: PARTIAL COMPLIANCE

C. Quality Assurance, Medical Care

1. The County shall establish a Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement (QA/QI) Unit to develop accurate tracking mechanisms and monitor the timeliness and effectiveness of the following processes of health care, ensuring that all are reviewed at least annually, and shall recommend corrective action for all deficiencies:
 - a) intake screenings;
 - b) emergent, urgent, and routine requests from patients and staff referrals for health care, including Health Service Request availability;
 - c) clinical monitoring of patients, including the delivery of chronic care services to those patients who qualify as chronic care patients;
 - d) prescriptive practices by the prescribing staff;
 - e) medication administration, including the initiation of verified medications, the first doses of medications, medication errors, patient refusals, and patterns of medication administration;
 - f) grievances regarding healthcare;
 - g) specialty care (including outside diagnostic tests and procedures);
 - h) clinical caseloads;
 - i) coordination between custody staff and medical staff, including escorts to medical appointments and delivery of care.
2. The studies shall be done with sufficient sample numbers to arrive at statistically valid conclusions. The studies shall include (a) a clearly articulated goals, objective, and methodology to determine if standards have been met, including a sampling strategy; (b) data collection; (c) analysis of data to identify trends and patterns; (d) analysis to identify the underlying causes of problems; (e) development of remedies to solve problems; (f) a written plan that identifies responsible staff and establishes a specific timeline for implementing remedies; (g) follow-up data collection; and (h) analysis to determine if the remedies are effective.
3. The QA/QI Unit study recommendations shall be published to all staff.
4. The County will conduct peer and supervisory reviews of all medical staff and professionals at least annually to assess compliance with policies and procedures and professional standards of care.

Policies:

- ACH PP 01-07 Quality Improvement Program (revised 04/13/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 01-13 Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee (revised 07/01/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 01-14 Utilization Management (revision 05/05/22) – *Final*
- ACH PP 01-15 Suicide Prevention Subcommittee – *Joint Policy-* (revision 09/17/21) – *Final*
- ACH PP 01-18 Utilization Management Subcommittee (05/05/22) – *Final*
- Injury and Illness Prevention (IIPP) PP 01-02 Safety Subcommittee (initial 07/10/20)

Compliance Status by Section:

- IX.C.1. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - ACH developed a Quality Assurance/ Quality Improvement (QA/AI) continuous quality improvement (CQI) program, which has implemented several tracking systems and audits to monitor to timeliness and effectiveness of health care delivery consistent with community standards. Corrective Action Plans are developed and implemented to address areas of deficiency.
 - IX.C.1.a. – i.
 - Audits include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - Nurse Intake Audits monitoring referrals at intake and ADA identification and documentation.
 - Access to Care Audit monitoring timeliness of emergent, urgent, and routine requests from patients and staff from Health Service Requests.
 - Chronic Disease Management Audit monitoring delivery of chronic care services for those with chronic conditions.
 - Medication Initiation and Renewal Audit monitoring initiation of verified medication, first dose of medications, medication errors and patient refusals.
 - Grievance Report monitors all grievances by type, service area, frequency, and response timeliness.
 - Specialty Care Audit, which includes monitoring to service types and appointment timeliness.
 - Withdrawal Monitoring Audit analyzes the frequency and timeliness of required face-to-face monitoring, medication, and referrals as appropriate.

- ACH is developing audits to monitor clinical caseloads, prescriptive practices by prescribing staff, and coordination between medical staff and SSO Custody, including medical appointments and delivery of care.
- As audits are completed, service line directors are required to submit Corrective Action Plans for deficiencies that do not improve over time.
- IX.C.2. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - Studies are completed with sufficient sample numbers, include clear goals, objectives, and methodology to determine if standards are met, including sampling strategy. Studies include overall findings, recommendations, and comparative analysis.
- IX.C.3. SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - QI shares recommendations in Executive team meetings, Quality Improvement Committee meetings, and subcommittee meeting as appropriate.
 - Medical representatives participate in all QI meetings. Each forum is quarterly.
 - QI Committee Chairs are responsible to ensure indicators are reviewed and tracked. Recommendations and corrective actions are discussed, and follow-up is conducted as needed.
- IX.C.4. PARTIAL COMPLIANCE
 - QI staff have created and implemented a UR nurse chart review tool and began utilizing it in the monthly CQI Chart review meetings. In person observation audits have begun on the nurse intake, HSR, and Withdrawal Monitoring processes. QI will work on additional review tools in the next monitoring period as well as in person audits on medication administration and mouth-check adherence.
 - Performance Evaluations are required annually for permanent County staff and more frequently for probationary staff (ACH PP 03-09 Performance Evaluations).

JAIL FACILITY NEEDS

Sacramento County (representatives from County Executive's Office, General Services, SSO, and ACH) has been engaged in planning for remedying the physical plant deficiencies that impede Consent Decree compliance – including compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), patient privacy, and sufficient space for medical and mental health services.

In order to do so, the County retained Nacht and Lewis to build upon their previous studies as well as the population reduction strategies in the O'Connell report. Taking these two previous reports together, the County was left with the conclusion that it could not reasonably release enough inmates to achieve compliance with the Consent Decree through population reduction efforts alone.

Nacht and Lewis was tasked with studying the impacts of jail population reduction strategies on the numbers and types of beds needed; analyzing which of the Consent Decree's medical and behavioral health requirements can and cannot be accommodated in the Main Jail after population reduction strategies have been implemented; and exploring various options and cost estimates for a new facility or facility addition based on the results of this analysis. See [Jail Facilities Population Reduction Impacts Study Report](#) for more details. Nacht and Lewis, through their consultants Jay Farbstein & Associates and Falcon Correctional & Community Services, Inc., supplemented their report with information that aids in supporting the County's jail population reduction plans. This additional information describes the elements in an integrated resource center model, which is similar to elements of the Bexar County Model, to provide care coordination for County residents whose behavioral health crises are likely to result in contact with the justice system.

Based on the analysis performed, Nacht and Lewis identified five options for capital improvements to achieve Consent Decree compliance following full implementation of all jail population reduction strategies. All proposed options will reduce the bed capacity in the jail system. The five options are as follows:

- 1A. Construct an Intake and Health Services Facility on the Main Jail's Bark Lot. This provides a building addition on adjacent, existing County property to accommodate the Consent Decree requirements that cannot be met in the renovated Main Jail. These would include a new booking loop, medical clinic, and medical housing, as well as the housing units for patients requiring higher levels of mental health care (Acute Inpatient Unit and Intensive Outpatient Program). Staff refer to this option as the Intake and Health Services Facility.
- 1B. Construct a building addition at RCCC to accommodate those patients whose clinical acuity requires higher levels of care (Acute Inpatient Unit and Intensive Outpatient Program).
- 1C. Construct a new building at a separate location (to be determined) to accommodate those patients whose clinical acuity requires higher levels of mental health care (Acute Inpatient Unit and Intensive Outpatient Program). As a stand-alone facility, this option would require duplication of substantial medical, ancillary, and custodial support services.
- 2A. Replace the entire Main Jail with a new facility that would not only include the needed beds currently located in the Main Jail but also additional space requirements to satisfy the Consent Decree.

- 2B. Replace the Main Jail and RCCC with a new facility that would replace beds currently located in the Main Jail and RCCC plus additional space requirements to satisfy the Consent Decree.

Nacht and Lewis evaluated each option's effectiveness in achieving compliance with the requirements of the Consent Decree, impacts on healthcare staffing and operations, impacts on staffing and operations for the Sheriff's Office, time needed for completion, and capital and operating costs. This evaluation scored Option 1A, construction of an Intake and Health Services Facility on the Main Jail's Bark Lot, the highest of all five options. As the design and construction of an Intake and Health Services Facility is estimated to take 60 months (five years), compliance with the Consent Decree will be improved by two additional and related construction projects that can be completed more quickly.

- First, the County will need to construct two control rooms at RCCC. These control rooms will provide higher-level security monitoring for barracks C, D, G, and H. Once completed, barracks C, D, G, and H at RCCC will be sufficiently secure to accommodate the inmates currently housed in the 3rd floor, 300 West Pod at the Main Jail.
- The 3rd floor, 300 West Pod may then be converted to an Acute Psychiatric Unit (known as the "3P Project").

Together, these projects are expected to take 32 months to complete. The 3rd floor, 300 West Pod conversion project is inadequate to meet all conditions of the Consent Decree for this population, but provides an interim solution to improve treatment and the conditions of confinement for patients with acute psychiatric needs while the Intake and Health Services Facility is constructed.

Based on the evaluation provided by Nacht and Lewis as well as stakeholder input, County staff recommend the Board of Supervisors on December 7, 2022 to direct staff to move forward with planning the following:

- Construct two control rooms at RCCC and convert the 3rd floor, 300 West Pod ("3P Project") at the Main Jail to an Acute Psychiatric Housing Unit (32 months); and
- Construct Option 1A, an Intake and Health Services Facility on the Main Jail's Bark Lot (60 months).

The movement of the Acute Psychiatric Unit from the 2nd floor to the 3rd floor then permits the previous space to be used for medical observation, specifically withdrawal management. While it does not meet all needs for medical observation, it provides an interim measure for this Consent Decree requirement. Together, these construction projects are more cost-effective than building a new jail, will retain the central location of the jail, and will capitalize on existing resources. The Intake and Health Services Facility best achieves Consent Decree compliance by prioritizing a HIPAA and ADA compliant booking loop while also providing sufficient space to care for a

jail population with enhanced medical and behavioral health needs. While this facility is in development, constructing control rooms at RCCC and converting the 3rd floor, 300 West Pod will provide improved conditions of confinement for patient-inmates with the highest level of need.

The Board of Supervisors (BOS) Meeting dated [12/08/2022](#) held deliberations on the County's recommended proposal presented on 12/07/22 regarding Jail Population Reduction Plans and Plans to address Jail Facility Deficiencies for the Mays Consent Decree. The deliberations to address Jail Facility Deficiencies as outlined above resulted in BOS approval. More information on the proposed Jail Population Reduction Plans and outcome from the 12/08/22 BOS meeting can be found below.

COUNTY EFFORTS TO REDUCE THE JAIL POPULATION

Sacramento County (representatives from the County Executive's Office, criminal justice partners, SSO, DHS Behavioral Health, and ACH) is engaged in many efforts to reduce the jail population. On August 10, 2021, the County Executive proposed and the Board of Supervisors (BOS) approved an ordinance to create a new Public Safety and Justice Agency, headed by a Deputy County Executive. The recruitment and hiring was completed in February 2022 for the Deputy County Executive who now oversees efforts to reduce the jail population and compliance with the Consent Decree. By December 2022, the County efforts with justice partners have produced some progress with justice reforms, programs and services necessary to reduce the jail population. Guided by expert reports, ongoing input and feedback from social service and justice agencies, other stakeholders and advisory groups, Class Counsel and the community, the County will continue existing efforts and begin new efforts identified in updated plans. In early 2023, the County continued development of timeline and cost estimates as well as metrics for items in the [Jail Population Reduction Plans](#). There are 33 items which have been summarized based on their relationship to the Sequential Intercept Model (SIM) on the last page of the December update of the Plans and listed below. Collectively, full implementation of plans is estimated to reduce the average daily jail population by 700, from a baseline of approximately 3,200, through incarceration alternatives and individualized services that safely reduce the number of people booked into the jail, the average length of stay in jail, and returns to custody.

See the BOS meetings webpage for the following status updates provided regarding efforts:

- BOS Meeting dated [10/22/2019](#), Item #66 (*Report on County Efforts to Reduce the Jail Population*).

- BOS Meeting dated [03/10/2021](#), Item #3 (*Workshop – Review the Design-Build Process Related to the Correctional Health and Mental Health Services Facility Project, And Approve Contract No. 81555...*)
- BOS Meeting dated [08/10/2021](#), Item #2 ([Adopt An Ordinance Amending Various Sections Of Chapter 2.09 And Chapter 2.61 Of the Sacramento County Code Related To Creation Of A Public Safety And Justice Agency,...](#))
- On [02/15/2022](#), the BOS authorized the appointment of the new Deputy County Executive (DCE) for the Public Safety and Justice Agency.
- BOS Meeting dated [06/14/2022](#), the new DCE presented a charter to establish a Public Safety and Justice Agency (PSJA) Advisory Committee to provide a community voice in dialogue on decreasing the jail population, recognizing the importance of including voices of individuals with lived experiences and those most closely impacted by incarceration.
 - PSJA Advisory Committee began meeting in October 2022
- BOS Meeting dated [09/14/2022](#), the County held a workshop with the Board of Supervisors to share the status of ongoing efforts to identify and address criminal justice system issues, including those specified in the Mays Consent Decree. This included public release of reports completed by Nacht and Lewis, experienced architecture firm, and Kevin O’Connell, a criminal justice and behavioral health data analytics expert Main Jail Improvement Report - Analysis indicates to meet needs, the Main Jail's capacity must be reduced to 1,357 beds from its rated capacity of 2,397 – a loss of 1,040 beds or nearly 44% to get closer to compliance, but substantial compliance with all consent decree requirements is not possible within the Main Jail;
- BOS Meeting dated [12/08/2022](#), deliberations on recommendations presented 12/07/22 regarding Jail Population Reduction Plans and Plans to address Jail Facility Deficiencies for the Mays Consent Decree resulted in their approval.
- At the [3/28/2023](#) BOS Meeting, the Department of Health Services was authorized to apply for and accept \$1,700,000 in CalAIM Providing Health and Transforming Health Justice-Involved (PATH JI)Capacity Building Round 2 funding for implementation of the Social Health Information Exchange (SHIE) and to designate the Department of Human Assistance as the entity responsible for assisting county jail inmates and youth with submitting an application for, or otherwise assisting with their enrollment in a health insurance affordability program. Planning is in process to develop a Social Health Information Exchange (SHIE) for integration of health, housing and justice data. A consultant has been hired and work is in process. This work to implement and procure information technology (IT) infrastructure and application products has been incorporated in Jail Population Reduction Plans.

- SHIE will serve low-income communities through the development of countywide data infrastructure that links medical, behavioral health, social service and housing data from multiple sources. It will enable care coordination between health and social service providers in Sacramento County, and support health equity by allowing providers to identify and serve vulnerable low-income individuals during emergencies such as COVID-19. Establishing the Social Health Information Exchange in Sacramento County is an approximately three-year initiative that aligns with CalAIM. The Department of Technology will assist with the procurement process which includes the development of the appropriate RFPs, the selection and the negotiation of the vendor contract and development/implementation of Social Health Information Exchange System.
- At the BOS Meeting dated [4/19/2023](#), an update was provided on the County's progress toward implementation of Framework 1 (Implementation of Jail Population Reduction Plans) and Framework 2 (Construction to Remediate Jail Facility Deficiencies) for Mays Consent Decree compliance. Another quarterly update on implementation of Jail Population Reduction Plans (15 New Recommendations, 18 Existing, 33 Total Strategies) will be provided in July or August 2023.
- Ongoing planning for implementing expansion of a Medi-Cal benefit called CalAIM to better serve justice involved individuals. The State has delayed the component for the justice involved population which was targeted for January 2023. Planning will continue.
- At the BOS Meeting dated [6/7/2023](#), the County's FY 2023-24 Recommended Budget was approved with [growth funding](#) added for programs and services to comply with the Mays Consent Decree.
- At the BOS Meeting dated [6/13/2023](#), the Public Safety and Justice Agency was authorized to execute a revenue agreement with the Department of State Hospitals to provide annual funding for the collaborative stakeholder workgroup program and an agreement with O'Connell Research, Inc. to produce strategies and solutions that reduce criminalization of individuals with serious mental illnesses and reduce the number of individuals who are determined to be Incompetent to Stand Trial on felony charges in Sacramento County. The work will align with and expand upon previous work with O'Connell Research, Inc. related to the County's efforts in support of the Stepping Up Initiative (Resolution 2019- 0043), the Data Driven Recovery Project (Resolution 2019-0687), and the Mays Consent Decree Jail Population Reduction Plans approved December 8, 2022.

The December 2022 Jail Population Reduction Plans are summarized in the following table.

	Item #	Title/Brief Description	
Ongoing Efforts and Plans to Reduce Jail Admissions (Strategy 1)	1	Crisis Receiving for Behavioral Health (CRBH)	
	2	Sacramento County Mental Health Treatment Center (MHTC)	
	3	Mental Health Urgent Care Clinic	
	4	Mobile Crisis Support Teams (MCSTs)	
	5	988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline	
	6	Wellness Crisis Call Center and Response Team (WCCCRT)	
	7	Community Outreach Recovery Empowerment (CORE) Centers	
	8	Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT)/Laura's Law	
	9	Booking Memos and Advisories	
	NEW	10	Commit to partnerships with other LEA's within County to explore use of alternative booking sites for quick releases
	NEW	11	Enhance citation and field release protocols
	NEW	12	Develop a multi-disciplinary team to explore feasibility for converting the Jail Diversion Treatment and Resource Center (JDTRC) or other location into an Integrated Resource Center (IRC)
		13	Federal Contract reduced to serve only 300 to 100 inmates
Ongoing Efforts and Expansion Plans to Reduce Lengths of Stay and Returns to Custody (Strategy 2)	NEW	14	Establish team dedicated to risk assessments and screening protocols
	NEW	15	Probation Pretrial Program - (New: Expand Capacity)
	NEW	16	Public Defender Pretrial Support Program - (New: Expand Capacity)
	NEW	17	Expand Adult Day Reporting Center (ADRC) locations and/or other jail alternatives
		18	Murphy's Subacute Placement
	NEW	19	Convene Behavioral Health Diversion and Collaborative Court Workgroup to Support Expansions
		20	Public Defender, Conflict Criminal Defender and the District Attorney Review
		21	Drug Diversion (PC 1000)
		22	Mental Health Diversion
		23	Collaborative Courts
	NEW	24	Implement an automated court reminder system
	NEW	25	Expand warrant diversion efforts
	NEW	26	Utilize expanded non-detention Violation of Probation (VOP) criteria
	NEW	27	Improve connections to services and resources prior to and during jail discharge processes
		28	Sheriff's Reentry Services
		29	Forensic Full Service Partnership (FSP)
	NEW	30	Evaluate and expand expungement resources and services
NEW	31	Commit to a partnership with Superior Court for expediting the court process	
	32	Community Input from County Committees and Advisory Boards	
NEW	33	Improve and streamline county-wide data sharing and transparency	

Additional information is provided below.

Active Jail Diversion Programs:

At the BOS Meeting dated [6/7/2023](#), the County's FY 2023-24 Recommended Budget approved over \$4 million in growth funding to add 15 positions, contract services and supplies to expand pretrials services provided through the Conflict Criminal Defender, Probation. and Public Defender.

Mental Health Treatment Center (MHTC): Provides short term comprehensive acute inpatient mental health services, 24/7, for adults 18 and older experiencing a mental health crisis and/or condition. The County's Intake Stabilization Unit (ISU) provides up to 23-hour crisis stabilization and intensive services in a safe 4 environment. The ISU responds to hospital ED staff and law enforcement calls 24/7, provides direct access from the mobile crisis support teams and SB82 triage navigator program, and receives adults and minors that have been medically cleared for 24/7 crisis stabilization services. In April 2023, the ISU increased from 5 to 25 beds available for 5151 holds from law enforcement. This was done in response to the Jail Population Reduction Plans Law Enforcement Booking Alternatives Workgroup request for additional involuntary options for people experiencing mental health crisis.

Pretrial Assessment and Monitoring: Probation (lead agency) received local funding and a grant from the Superior Court to utilize the Public Safety Assessment (PSA) tool to inform pretrial release and monitoring decisions based on risk of failure to appear (FTA), risk of new criminal activity, and risk of new violent criminal activity. The Pretrial Pilot began October 2019 and was recently extended to operate with grant and county funding through December 2023. Pretrial monitoring can include court reminders, office visits, community visits and GPS monitoring. Superior Court has released 5,776 clients on [Pretrial Monitoring](#) from October 2019 through May 2023.

- BOS Meeting dated [12/14/2021](#), Item #25 ([Authorization To Execute A Memorandum of Understanding With The Superior Court...For The Pretrial Release Program...](#))

Public Defender Pretrial Support Project (PTSP): Public Defender (lead agency) received a grant from the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) to develop and operate a pretrial support program using evidence based tools to interview jail inmates prior to arraignment to identify needs, provide social worker support/case management (in custody and in the community), link to services, and coordinate safe discharge plans. Over 4,000 pretrial defendants have been screened through this program since January 2021. At the Board of Supervisors (BOS) June 2021 budget hearing, additional county funds were granted to expand this program. At the [December 14, 2021 BOS meeting](#) (item #27), the program was further expanded through approval of an MOU between the Public Defender's Office and Superior Court for additional grant funds from December 15, 2021 through December 2023 for PTSP to provide supplemental services (transitional housing, transportation from jail and to court/probation/services, behavioral health intervention, employment, phone, clothing, etc.) to clients released on Pretrial Monitoring. In March 2022, the Exodus Project was contracted to connect community intervention workers with PTSP social workers to provide additional support to individuals released under the Pretrial Support Project. On June 7, 2023, the BOS approved FY 2023-24 Recommended Budget with additional funds to expand the Public Defender pretrial services.

Pretrial Felony Mental Health Diversion: Public Defender (lead agency) received a grant from the Department of State Hospitals (DSH) to implement a Pretrial Mental Health Diversion Program. The target population includes adults with serious mental illness charged with felonies that are incompetent to stand trial or at risk of being mentally incompetent to stand trial. Public Defender contracted with Telecare to provide services. Through additional grant funds from DSH, in March 2023, Telecare increased from a capacity of 50 with housing for 25 to serve up to 100 individuals with housing for 50.

Clients are referred through the granting of Felony Mental Health Diversion by the court. This program began March 2021. As of June 2023, there approximately 100 active clients in the program with over 18 of them coming from the jail's DSH waitlist of individuals found Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST). Staff continue reviewing cases on individuals currently in jail on the DSH waitlist who may be appropriate for Felony Mental Health Diversion. Additionally, since SB 1223 expanded eligibility for Mental Health Diversion in January 2023, the number of clients pending a Felony Mental Health Diversion ruling from the court has grown and was over 200 in June 2023. On June 7, 2023, the BOS approved FY 2023-24 Recommended Budget with additional funds to expand Pretrial Felony Mental Health Diversion.

Crisis Receiving for Behavioral Health (CRBH): Formerly the Substance Use Respite & Engagement (SURE) Program, operated by WellSpace Health 24 hours a day 7 days a week at 631 H St., conveniently located behind the Main Jail. CRBH provides short-term (4-12 hour) recovery, detox, and recuperation from effect of acute alcohol/drug intoxication or behavioral health crisis. Staffed by healthcare professionals to provide medical monitoring, SUD counseling, and connections to supportive services and transportation to service partner or home after completion of short-term recovery. Clients are referred by partner agencies, no walk-ins. Outreach efforts to law enforcement increased to ensure they are aware of the availability of CRBH for individuals they encounter who need short-term recovery has increased referrals. Materials are being developed to better align with law enforcement needs and protocols and increase utilization.

New Programs in Development:

Forensic Behavioral Health Innovation Program- Forensic Full Service Partnership (FSP): DHS Behavioral Health created a Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Innovation Project for individuals with a serious mental illness and criminal justice involvement who are being released from the jail. This project fills a gap in meeting needs of the justice-involved population who “fall through the cracks” and return to custody due to the complexity involved in accessing resources across multiple systems. Through a Behavioral Health Services contract, Forensic Full Service Partnership (FSP) provides peer support, medication support, intensive case coordination, support with benefits acquisitions, housing support, therapy, skill building sessions and groups. Utilizing a Multi-System Team approach and providing tailored services to address the unique needs of the justice-involved population, treatment targets include criminal behavior, mental illness and substance use for clients 18 years and older, experiencing serious mental illness with significant functional impairment may be referred by justice partners and MH services within the jail. El Hogar Community Services began providing Forensic FSP services at an easily accessible site in South Sacramento in March 2022. In FY 2023-24, Forensic FSP treatment is expanding its multidisciplinary approach to coordinate across various systems persons may be involved with such as probation, courts, medical, medication support, cash aid, Cal Fresh, mental health, employment, etc., to provide intensive support services (including housing, employment, life skills).

Jail Diversion Treatment and Resource Center (JDTRC): Probation (lead agency) received an infrastructure grant to provide a community based facility to divert criminal justice-involved adults with mental health disorders, substance use disorders, and/or other trauma-related disorders from jail and/or prison. On June 2, 2020, Probation received the Board of Supervisors approval on this project. This program recently had a ribbon-cutting ceremony and public open house on December 12, 2021 and subsequently began services targeting individuals who have been granted participation in Misdemeanor Mental Health Diversion or are pending a court decision relative to their participation. Probation is in the process of working with JDTRC grant administrators who indicated they are supportive of expanding to include a felony mental health diversion population receiving services at the current location near the jail (in addition to the misdemeanor population). Grant contract amendment efforts are still underway to expand JDTRC services to include felony mental health diversion clients.

Community Wellness Crisis Response Team (formerly, Wellness Crisis Call Center and Response Team): At the September 2020 Budget Hearing, BOS asked staff to develop a proposal for alternative responses to mental health and homeless-related 911 calls to complement the existing Mobile Crisis Support Teams (MCST). The County facilitated an internal countywide work group to review data, review models from other jurisdictions, and obtain community input. Staff received approval for crisis response plans that include a 24/7 Crisis Call Center, Crisis Receiving Facilities, Urgent Care, and Mobile Field Response during the FY 2021/22 budget hearings. Because a staffing shortfalls, ramp up efforts have been slower than anticipated. First, a pilot will be rolled out for calls from community members requesting behavioral health services and/or are experiencing a mental health crisis. Full implementation will subsequently be phased in provide immediate, 24/7 crisis intervention and de-escalation services, assess needs and risks, and create safety plans. Insufficient candidate interest to staff a 24/7 call center and response team to start the pilot in December 2023. working to leverage multi-

partnership collaboration with existing community partners providing similar services, the name changed in February 2023, and there was a soft launch of this program in March 2023 with limited operations. Monthly status updates are posted on the [Community Wellness Response Team](#) website.

System Planning:

Development and implementation of plans to reduce use of the Jail have been ongoing for many years. In 2020, a Correctional Facilities Committee adopted a work plan to implement recommendations from the Carey Group Report. The group became inactive while leadership changes were underway for the new Deputy County Executive of Public Safety and Justice. While recruitment and hiring was underway, additional consultant studies were conducted per the request of Class Counsel. The new Deputy County Executive began work to lead the jail population reduction efforts along with an extensive list of other duties in February 2022. On September 14, 2022, the new Deputy County Executive presented a Board workshop on Criminal Justice System Issues and Reforms that included findings from the new consultant studies. The new [Public Safety and Justice](#) work has within a very short timeframe significantly increased the amount of information publicly posted, presented and discussed with stakeholders and advisory groups, which includes expert reports and population reduction plans posted on a [Reports and Resources website](#). After the September 2022 Board workshop, the Memorandum of Agreement with Class Counsel required completion of jail population reduction plans and plans for addressing jail facility deficiencies. The Jail Study Report completed by Kevin O'Connell, who has been working with Sacramento County on the Data Driven Recovery Project (DDRP) since 2020, provided a foundation for jail population reduction plans that incorporate new recommendations along with outstanding Carey Group recommendations and approaches focused on reducing bookings, length of stay, and returns to custody. The [Sequential Intercept Model \(SIM\)](#) also helped with development of plans. Initial Jail Population Reduction Plans completed October 2022 were revised in December 2022 based on feedback from community stakeholders, Class Counsel, data experts, and justice system partners. The December update of plans continue to apply recommended strategies with ongoing and new efforts to reduce jail bookings, lengths of stay and returns to custody. Notable additions include development of a public-facing jail population dashboard, expansion of services during jail release, identifying opportunities for future prevention-focused efforts in coordination with Sacramento County's Social Services partners, and identifying where Jail Population Reduction Plan items are within intercepts on the SIM. The first quarterly status report on jail population reduction plans and an update on capital projects were presented at the BOS meeting on [4/19/2023](#). First quarter highlights from implementation of jail population reduction plans include:

- Jail ADP reduced by 431 from the baseline in the Jail Population Study to Q1 2023
- Mental Health Urgent Care Clinic (MHUCC) hours expanded to 24/7
- Mental Health Treatment Center expanded to 24/7 for law enforcement drop-off of 5150 holds
- Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT)/Laura's Law program launched

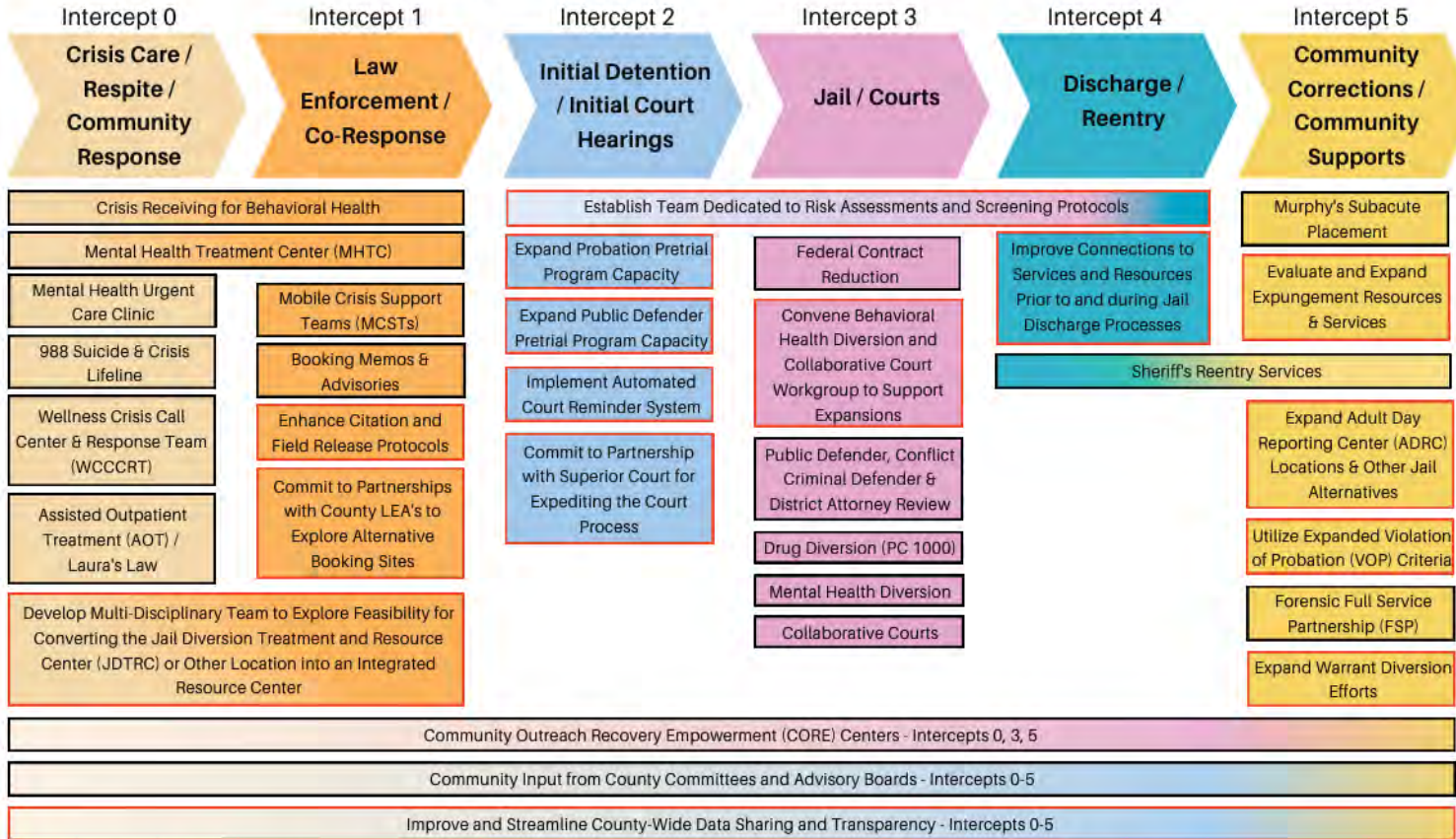
- Federal contract reduced use of jail beds
- Murphy's sub-acute placement contract executed
- ATIMS jail management system deployed

The County increased FY 2023-24 funding by \$45,436,165 for growth in areas tied to compliance with the Mays Consent Decree. Starting July 2023, growth funds will go toward:

- Pretrial Services
- Mental Health Diversion and Collaborative Courts
- Record Modification (Expungement)
- Sheriff Reentry Services
- Mental Health Crisis Response
- Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) and Murphy's Conservatorship Services
- Data Sharing Improvements

The next quarterly status report will be provided to the BOS and posted on the Public Safety and Justice [Reports and Resources](#) website in August/September 2023. The update will cover implementation of jail population plan items shown below based on where they occur in the SIM.

Relationship of Jail Population Reduction Plans to Sacramento County Adult Sequential Intercept Model



Note: Items outlined in **Red** represent programs and services that will require new or expanded investments of resources, time, and partnerships to develop and implement.

ATTACHMENT 1

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Initial 07/08/20. Updated by Class Counsel 07/01/21. Updated by County 12/29/23.

Yellow highlighting - used for most recent updates.

Tan shading - final policies.

Bold - review and change in process.

Color coding indicates policies pending review by: Blue – Medical Experts Pink – MH Experts Green – Class Counsel

ACH PP	Class Counsel Comments	SME Comments	County Response
01-01 Department & Division Overview (Joint policy) <i>CHS Policy 1000</i>	1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review. Please review.	6/11/21 No comments	7/13/20 Sent policy. Joint policy – FINAL
01-03 Responsible Health Authority <i>CHS Policy 1100</i>	1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review. Please review.	6/11/21 Minor comments	7/13/20 Sent policy. 6/25/21 Accepted feedback for formatting changes which pertain to several PP. Policy revision pending. 7/16/21 Policy revised with formatting/title changes – FINAL
01-04 Medical/Clinical Autonomy (Joint policy) <i>CHS Policy 1101</i>	1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review. Please review.	6/11/21 Minor comments. Ensure leadership titles are consistent between policies 01-03 and 01-04.	7/13/20 Sent policy. 6/25/21 Accepted feedback on titles/format. Policy revision pending. 7/16/21 Policy revised with formatting/title changes – FINAL
01-07 Quality Improvement Program (Joint policy)	7/1/21 Class counsel comments (on inclusion of specific Remedial Plan QA/QI provision) sent.		6/25/21 Policy revised and sent. 7/16/21 Per Counsel questions and response via email, staff will create a separate PP on Multi-disciplinary meetings. Specialty Log tracking is noted in Specialty Referrals PP. This item will be tracked in new QI subcommittee Utilization Management to start this year. Baseline report in process. – FINAL

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01-08 Medical Review of In-Custody Deaths (Joint policy)	<p>7/1/21 Class counsel comments sent. All SMEs should review the draft vis-à-vis their disciplinary focus.</p> <p>1/10/22 Class Counsel defer to the Medical SMEs on any additional revisions.</p>	<p>12/10/21 Medical SMEs sent edits & questions about 2021 death reviews.</p> <p>12/15/21 Medical SME sent additional questions about autopsies.</p> <p>12/17/21 SP SME sent policy edits.</p> <p>2/1/22 Medical SMEs sent comments on the revised draft.</p>	<p>6/25/21 Policy revised and sent.</p> <p>7/16/21 Per Counsel questions and response via email, all deaths are considered in custody even if occurs offsite. SSO approved content of initial draft. Pending SME.</p> <p>12/16/21 In review and revision.</p> <p>1/4/22 Sent email with revised draft policy based on SME feedback. Unchanged: SSO keeps binders & admin review within 30 days as specified in remedial plan & NCCHC</p> <p>2/4/22 In review and revision.</p> <p>2/16/22 Policy finalized with SME requested changes. – FINAL</p> <p>5/24/23- revised</p> <p>10/24/23 revised (not posted)</p> <p>12/29/23- sent to SME for feedback</p>
01-09 Grievance Process for Health/ Disability Complaints (Joint policy) <i>CHS Policy 1435</i>	<p>1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review.</p> <p>3/19/21 Class Counsel sent comments on 12/17/20 revision.</p> <p>5/5/21 Policy and forms reviewed and approved by class counsel.</p> <p>6/29/22 Class Counsel sent feedback.</p>	<p>6/11/21 Substantive comments.</p> <p>7/28/22 Medical SME sent feedback.</p> <p>9/20/23 MH SME approved.</p>	<p>7/13/20 Resent policy/forms. Last submission incorporated edits on forms (wanted term disability). Believe these were approved.</p> <p>12/17/20 This policy was updated.</p> <p>4/15/21 Sent updated policy/forms based on PLO/DRC feedback.</p> <p>6/25/21 In review and revision.</p> <p>12/1/21 Feedback incorporated. Sent revised policy/forms for final review.</p> <p>8/3/22 In review. Pending MH SME</p> <p>9/20/23 FINAL</p>

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01-10 Organizational Charts		6/11/21 Ensure that titles are consistent across PPs. See comments in First Mays Monitoring Report. Nursing services have no direct or indirect reporting relationship to the Division Manager at the jail and outside the jail supervisory structure.	10/19/20 See attached policy. 6/25/21 Revising titles across PP. Incorporating organizational changes as discussed. Policy in revision. 7/16/21 Policy revised with formatting/title/reporting. – FINAL
01-11 Service Overview	1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review. Please review. 7/1/21 Class counsel do not have comments at this time. Ready for Medical Experts' final review.	6/11/21 See comments regarding types of services available.	10/19/20 See attached policy. 6/25/21 Accepted feedback. Policy revised and sent. 7/16/21 Policy revised with Med Expert feedback – FINAL
01-12 Access to Care <i>CHS Policy 1407</i> - Access to Care Guide	1/5/21 Policy and guide sent to Medical SME for review. Please review.	6/11/21 Added language regarding barriers to care to be consistent with NCCHC standards. See comments regarding standardizing terminology and timeframes for referral. 8/13/21 SME sent additional edits to the Access to Care Guide. 9/28/22 Medical SME sent feedback on policy and Access to Care Guide. 2/16/23- Medical SME stated she reviewed and revised policy and Access to Care Guide, and has no further comments.	10/19/20 See attached policy. 6/25/21 In revision based on SME feedback. 2/4/22 Sent revised policy and Access to Care Guide. 10/5/22 In review 1/27/23 Sent revised policy and Access to Care Guide. 3/1/23- In Review 5/24/23 FINAL 10/19/23 Revised & posted
01-13 Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee	1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review. Please review. 7/1/21 Class counsel do not have comments at this time. Ready for Medical Experts' final review.	6/11/21 Comments regarding key indicators the P&T committee should track.	10/19/20 See attached policy. This is a QIC subcommittee. 6/25/21 Accepted feedback. Policy revised and sent. – FINAL

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01-14 Utilization Management	<p>1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review. <i>SMEs: Please review 4/15/21 version.</i></p> <p>5/5/21 Class counsel do not have comments at this time.</p>	6/11/21 Added operational detail regarding the UM process including timelines and tracking tools.	<p>4/15/21 Policy finalized and InterQual guidelines implemented.</p> <p>6/25/21. In review based on SME feedback.</p> <p>8/19/21 Accepted feedback.</p> <p>Tracking log details are noted in PP 04-08 Specialty Referrals. Policy revised and sent. – FINAL</p>
01-15 Suicide Prevention Subcommittee (Joint policy)	<p>5/14/21 Class counsel comments sent. ACH to review, and also ready for Suicide Prevention/Mental Health SME review.</p> <p>5/26/21 Awaiting ACH revision.</p> <p>8/26/21 Class Counsel have no further comments on Policy 01-15. Ready for Lindsay's review.</p>	<p>6/11/21 Minor comment regarding including titles only rather than names of key personnel to avoid having to revise the policy every time there is personnel turnover.</p> <p>8/24/21 MH SME sent minor comments.</p> <p>8/30/21 Lindsay Hayes sent final comments on Policy 01-15.</p> <p>9/10/21 Lindsay Hayes sent minor edits.</p>	<p>5/7/21 Joint policy drafted & sent.</p> <p>5/21/21 Accepted Counsel feedback. Policy in revision. Creating separate Multidisciplinary Meeting policy to define members & how the meetings will interact with other committees.</p> <p>7/16/21 Policy revised with Medical SME comments re: title changes and sent. Pending MH SME feedback.</p> <p>8/24/21 Will review MH SME input.</p> <p>9/2/21 Accepted Lindsay's feedback. MH team now reviewing.</p> <p>9/7/21 MH team has no further edits. Final draft sent to all via email.</p> <p>9/10/21 Incorporated Lindsay's edits. – FINAL</p>
01-16 Multidisciplinary Meetings (Joint policy)	6/14/22 Class Counsel provided input during meeting with ACH. After updates, Class Counsel approved.	<p>9/28/22 Medical SME sent feedback.</p> <p>10/30/22 MH SME sent feedback.</p> <p>11/30/22 MH SME provided feedback during meeting with MH.</p>	<p>10/1/21 Sent new policy. See ACH notes on PP 01-07 QI Program & 01-15 Suicide Prevention Subcommittee</p> <p>6/14/22 Sent updated policy.</p> <p>11/14/22 In review.</p> <p>12/29/22 SME feedback included – FINAL</p>

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02-03 Female Reproductive Services <i>CHS Policy 1118</i>	1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review. Please review.	6/11/21 Needs to address gynecological services including STD screening and access to cervical and breast cancer screening.	10/19/20 See attached policy. 6/25/21 In revision based on feedback. Discussing separate PP for preventative health & STI screening. PCPs will order routine HPV & Pap. 7/16/21 Policy revised with SME feedback and sent. STI screening and cancer screening will be included in separate PP that is not yet developed. – FINAL 5/24/23 Rev & posted based on State’s feedback

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<p>02-05 Suicide Prevention (Joint policy) <i>CHS Policies 1412 and 1415</i> <i>JPS Policies 1009, 1010, 1011, 1027, 1049</i></p>	<p>Plaintiffs sent comments to R Heyer, 3/7/20, awaiting response.</p> <p>Question to ACH: <i>Will ACH Policy 07-04 be a Joint Policy w/ JPS? Or is a discrete JPS policy forthcoming?</i></p> <p>7/1/21 Class counsel will allow Lindsay Hayes to review and provide input on this draft policy before we offer feedback.</p> <p>8/26/21 Class Counsel provided feedback on Policy 02-05.</p> <p>9/10/21 Class Counsel shared input during meeting with ACH. 6-hour timeframe will not work for patients in safety cells.</p> <p>1/31/22 Class Counsel sent questions about the Suicide Precautions and/or Grave Disability Observations Custody Instructions form.</p>	<p>7/2/21 Received extensive comments from Lindsay Hayes. Requested a combined policy for medical/MH and integrate safety suit. He also requested to review in draft form.</p> <p>8/16/21 Lindsay Hayes sent edits on the revised draft policy.</p> <p>8/24/21 MH SME sent an edit on the final draft policy.</p> <p>8/30/21 Lindsay Hayes sent comments on Policy 02-05.</p> <p>9/10/21 Lindsay Hayes sent final comments on Policy 02-05. MH SME responded to the emergent referral timeframe issue noting that 4 hours was a standard of practice.</p>	<p>7/13/20 Not ready to submit. Needs internal work. Not sure if it will be joint or separate.</p> <p>6/25/21 Sent policy drafts for review</p> <p>07/16/21 Drafts were combined into one policy with SME input included. Renumbered from 07-XX to 02-05. Incorporated safety suit policy and will eliminate MH PP 09-03 Use of Safety Suits.</p> <p>7/30/21 Sent revised draft policy to SME for final review. Joint policy.</p> <p>8/19/21 In review and revision.</p> <p>8/24/21 Incorporated SP SME feedback. Incorporated safety cell policy and will eliminate PP 07-03 Patients in Safety Cells. Sent final draft policy to MH & SP SMEs and Counsel for review.</p> <p>9/2/21 Accepted Class Counsel and SME feedback. MH team reviewing.</p> <p>9/7/21 Sent final draft policy along with MH Medical Director note regarding emergent referral timeframe. Requested Class Counsel & SME review and response.</p> <p>9/10/21 Policy will be finalized next week based on feedback from SP & MH SMEs and Class Counsel.</p> <p>9/15/21 Edits incorporated. – FINAL</p> <p>11/19/21 Sent revised policy. CCTV monitoring deleted.</p> <p>1/31/22 MH explained the form.</p>

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03-08 Staff Development & Training (Joint policy) <i>CHS Policy 1302</i>	1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review. Please review.	6/11/21 Needs to include training on alcohol and drug withdrawal assessment, treatment and monitoring. 1/5/23 Medical SME sent comments. 2/16/23- Medical SME stated that she reviewed and revised policy and has no further comments.	7/13/20 Sent policy. Joint policy. 11/30/20 This policy was updated. 6/25/21 In revision due to feedback and updating based on practice. 7/16/21 Policy revised with SME feedback and sent. Alcohol & Withdrawal is part of Nursing Clinical Skills and Assessment. Pending MH SME feedback. 3/30/22 Updating this policy. 12/29/22 Policy updated and sent. 1/27/23 Sent revision based on Medical SME feedback. 3/1/23- In Review 3/3/23 FINAL
04-08 Specialty Referrals <i>CHS Policy 1400</i>	Time-sensitive, per Remedial Plan IV.E. 5/5/21 Class counsel have reviewed and expressed concern about provision A.1 (access to surgery, specialty imaging, and orthotic devices). See comments in 5/5/21 Class Counsel email. We request Medical SMEs' input and further discussion with ACH. 5/26/21 Class Counsel provided additional input on revised version.	6/11/21 Substantive comments. The denial of specialty services based upon known or unknown lengths of stay alone is not appropriate and may result in delayed diagnosis and treatment of potentially life-threatening conditions (e.g., imaging services for cancer), etc. Establishing a diagnosis, even if treatment cannot be completed is necessary for serious medical conditions. Time frames for UM approval are addressed. 10/21/22 Medical SME sent comments.	7/13/20 Reviewed with Plaintiffs' Counsel at March 2020 meeting. Re-sent for submission to SME. 10/19/20 Have installed an evidence based tool. Training has begun but has not been implemented due to COVID work/provider recruitment. 4/15/21 Policy updated with minor revisions. 5/21/21 Accepted Class Counsel feedback and amended the policy. 6/25/21 In review. 8/19/21 Accepted feedback. This policy has tracking log details. Policy revised and sent. 8/17/22 Policy revised & emailed. 9/7/22 Edits incorporated – FINAL

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04-09 Medical Transportation (Joint policy) <i>CHS Policy 1400</i>	1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review. Please review.	6/11/21 Policy should address medical transportation of disabled and or pregnant inmates including use of restraints.	7/13/20 Sent policy. Joint policy. 6/25/21 In review. 7/30/21 Policy revised with Medical Expert feedback – FINAL
04-10 Discharge Medication (Joint policy)	1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review. Please review.	6/11/21 SME comments regarding providing operational detail to how the policy will be implemented, including consent decree paragraphs in the references, and removing names of individuals and including titles only.	7/13/20 Sent policy. 6/25/21 In review based on SME feedback. 10/29/21 Policy revised and sent. Will pilot the process for presentenced patients before full implementation. – FINAL
04-11 Emergency Equipment	12/30/20 Policy sent to MH/SP SMEs for review. Please review. 1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME review. Please review.	6/11/21 Minor comments. Suggest use of plastic locks on emergency bags to maintain integrity of the supplies in the bag and avoid the need for unnecessary inspections.	7/13/20 Sent policy. 6/25/21 In review to clarify procedures based on SME feedback. 8/26/21 Accepted SME feedback. Policy revised and sent. – FINAL
04-12 Emergency Medical Response <i>CHS Policies 1429 and 1403</i>	12/30/20 Policy sent to MH/SP SMEs. 1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME. Please review. 5/11/22 Class Counsel defers to SMEs.	5/11/22 Medical SME sent feedback. 5/11/22 SP SME sent edits. 6/17/22 MH SME approved.	7/13/20 Sent policy. 5/06/22 Sent revised policy. 5/19/22 SME edits incorporated. 6/23/22 FINAL
04-13 Man-down Drill	1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review. Please review.	9/29/22 Medical SME sent feedback.	12/17/20 See attached policy. 10/5/22 In review.
04-14 Disaster Response	1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review. Please review.	9/29/22 Medical SME sent feedback.	10/19/20 See attached policy. 10/5/22 In review.

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04-17 Medication Administration <i>CHS Policy 1601</i>	1/5/21 Policy and form sent to Medical SME for review. Please review.	7/21/21 Medical SME sent comments including possibly combining Med Administration and Pill Call into one policy. 2/1/22 Medical Experts approved the policy.	11/12/20 See attached policy/form. 6/25/21 Staff are refining this policy and Pill Call due to procedural changes. It will include process for medications when patient is off-site. 7/19/21 Will not finalize until we receive SME feedback. New carts & computers are delayed until August. 7/22/21 In review and revision. 12/16/21 Sent revised policy. 2/4/22 FINAL 8/3/22 Policy updated.
04-18 Pill Call			12/16/21 Policy deleted. Contents integrated into PP 04-17.
04-18 Medication Order Entry		7/18/22 Medical SME sent feedback on policy and Patient Med Guide.	10/29/21 New policy draft sent. Includes <u>Patient Medication Guide</u> handout to explain KOP program & discharge medications to patients. 9/22/22 Feedback accepted – FINAL
04-19 Over the Counter Medications <i>CHS Policies 1604 and 1605</i>	1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review. Please review.	7/29/22 Medical SME sent feedback.	11/12/20 See attached policy. 9/22/22 Feedback accepted – FINAL

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04-20 Keep on Person Medications	<p>1/5/21 Policy and KOP list sent to Medical SME for review. Please review.</p> <p>5/5/21 Class Counsel emphasize importance of this policy vis-à-vis the remedial plan, including w/r/t KOP-inhalers.</p> <p>Remedial Plan Provision VI.F.6: <i>“The County shall explore the expansion of its Keep-on-Person medication program, (especially for inhalers and medications that are available over-the-counter in the community) and to facilitate provision of medications for people who are out to court, in transit, or at an outside appointment.”</i></p> <p>5/26/21 Awaiting ACH revision.</p>	<p>12/28/21 Medical SME sent feedback.</p> <p>2/1/22 Medical Experts approved the policy.</p>	<p>11/12/20 See attached policy and KOP Medication List.</p> <p>5/5/21 Sent Counsel feedback to Medical leadership for review.</p> <p>5/21/21 Medical staff are meeting with custody on KOP medications.</p> <p>6/25/21 Medical staff continue to meet with custody on expanding KOP. Will create a method to track KOP meds including inhalers. Will revise based on feedback.</p> <p>9/17/21 Policy revision is in review internally. Will send when ready.</p> <p>10/29/21 Final draft sent. Will pilot before full implementation.</p> <p>12/30/21 Will review and revise.</p> <p>1/12/22 Sent revised policy with SME feedback incorporated.</p> <p>2/4/22 FINAL</p>
04-22 Hospital Care	<p>5/5/21 Class counsel do not have comments at this time.</p> <p><i>SMEs: Please review 4/15/21 policy.</i></p>		<p>04/15/21 Sent initial policy.</p> <p>12/4/23 Revised</p> <p>12/29/23 sent to SMEs</p>

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05-05 Nurse Intake <i>CHS Policy 1404</i>	<p>1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME for review. Please review.</p> <p>7/1/21 Class counsel comments sent. Policy draft should be reviewed by ALL subject matter experts.</p> <p>9/7/21 Class counsel approved nurse intake form revision.</p>	<p>7/15/21 MH SME sent minor edits and Medical SME sent extensive edits.</p> <p>9/7/21 Lindsay Hayes approved the nurse intake form revision.</p> <p>9/9/21 Lindsay Hayes sent additional comments on the intake form.</p> <p>9/14/21 Medical experts sent comments on the intake form.</p>	<p>7/13/20 Sent draft policy.</p> <p>11/30/20 This policy was updated.</p> <p>6/25/21 Policy & EHR forms revised to include Remedial Plan provisions.</p> <p>7/16/21 Received SME edits. Need to regroup with team.</p> <p>9/2/21 Draft nurse intake form sent to Counsel and SMEs for review and feedback. Policy revision to follow.</p> <p>9/10/21 Pending Medical SME input</p> <p>9/17/21 Finalizing the EHR form. Working on policy revision.</p> <p>10/18/21 Sent final draft policy and workflow. Input requested by 10/26.</p> <p>10/29/21 No comments received.</p> <p>Will begin training 11/2021- FINAL</p> <p>11/19/21 Sent updated workflow.</p> <p>12/29/22 Minor updates to policy.</p> <p>12/28/23- In ACH Review for updates</p>

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05-09 Health Service Requests - HSR form <i>CHS Policy 1409</i>	5/14/21 Class counsel comments sent. ACH to review, and also ready for Medical/Mental Health SME review. 5/26/21 The revised versions (5/21/21) look good.	8/13/21 Medical SME sent extensive edits and recommended combining this policy with PP 05-16 Medical Sick Call. 2/3/22 Medical SME sent comments on the 10/29/21 policy revision. 6/15/22 MH SME approved the form 6/17/22 MH SME sent feedback on the policy. 2/16- SME requested a conference call with key stakeholders <i>Questions about how the policy is to be operationalized.</i> 6/23/23- ACH Met with Medical SME- continue to discuss	5/7/21 Policy and the HSR form were revised based on SME report recommendations. 5/21/21 Accepted Class Counsel comments. Amended policy & form. 10/29/21 Policy revised and sent. Combined this policy with PP 05-16 Medical Sick Call (to be deleted). Added a process to respond to patient who submits a HSR. 2/4/22 In review and revision. 5/19/22 Sent revised policy with Medical SME feedback included. 6/23/22 Added MH SME edit. FINAL 1/27/23 Sent revised policy. 2/6/23 FINAL 2/22- ACH Met with Medical SME 6/23/23- ACH Met with Medical SME- continue to discuss 8/31/2023- revised 9/28/23- revised 12/20/23 In ACH Review

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05-10 Discharge Planning (Joint policy) <i>CHS Policy 1423</i> <i>JPS Policy 800</i>	1/5/21 Policy, referral form, and linkage guide sent to Medical SME for review. Please review. 5/26/21 Class Counsel provided written input. We request input from Medical and Mental Health SMEs.	6/11/21 See SME comments: Policy should reference and incorporate consent decree requirements. 6/17/22 MH SME approved.	10/19/20 See PP and Linkage Guide. Discharge planning is complex and multi-faceted. Phasing in actions. 5/7/21 Updating PP. Will reissue. 5/21/21 Policy and Health Care Linkage Guide revised and sent. 6/25/21 In revision based on feedback & procedural changes. 5/19/22 Major revision completed based on Medical SME feedback. Now a joint policy & will delete MH PP 05-01 Discharge Planning. 6/23/22 FINAL
05-12 Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Health Care (Joint policy) - Training PowerPoint	1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME. Class counsel have previously provided input on this policy. Revised draft ACH policy sent to Plaintiffs, 4/15/20. Class counsel accepted ACH revisions and approve pending implementation. 5/5/21 Class counsel have no further comments at this time. <i>SMEs: Please review 4/15/21 policy.</i> 5/13/22 Class Counsel sent feedback on policy and training slides. 1/11/23 Class Counsel sent minor edits to policy and training. With these changes, both are approved. 6/30/23 Class Counsel sent feedback on policy	5/11/22 Medical SME sent feedback on the policy. 6/17/22 MH SME sent minor comment on the policy. 6/28/22 MH SME sent feedback on training slides. 8/3/22 Medical SME sent feedback on training. 11/17/22 Medical SME asked about WPATH Standards training. 1/5/23 Medical SME approved the training. 1/10/23 MH SME approved the training with minor addition. 5/26/23- Medical SME sent recommendation	7/13/20 Sent to Counsel 4/13/20. Re-sent today. 4/15/21 Sent policy; training pending. 5/9/22 Sent draft training slides. 5/19/22 Will review and revise. 6/23/22 Policy in review. 11/14/22 Sent revised training slides. 12/29/22 Sent revised training slides. 1/27/23 Class Counsel and SME feedback incorporated into policy and training. – FINAL 3/21/23- Provider added sect E to PP 5/26/23- Added SME Recommendation 6/8/23- sent revisions for feedback on sect. E. 7/12/23 – Class Counsel recommendations added/slight additions by medical. 8/23/23 - FINAL

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05-13 Initial History & Physical Assessment	1/5/21 Policy sent to Medical SME. 5/5/21 Class counsel have no comments at this time. <i>SMEs: Please review 4/15/21 policy.</i>	12/28/21 Medical SME sent feedback. 2/1/22 Medical Experts approved the policy.	11/30/20 See attached policy DRAFT. This is pending review by PLO/DRC. Implementation depending on hiring providers. 4/15/21 Initial policy sent. 12/30/21 Will review and revise. 1/12/22 Sent revised policy with SME feedback incorporated. 2/4/22 FINAL 7/12/23 Revised FINAL
Detoxification Policies <i>CHS policies 1404, 1405, 1406</i> 05-14 Benzodiazepine Withdrawal Treatment 05-15 Opioid Withdrawal Monitoring and Treatment 05-17 Alcohol Withdrawal Treatment	Time-sensitive per Remedial Plan VI.N 5/5/21 Class counsel have no comments at this time. <i>SMEs: Please review 4/15/21 Policy 05-14, 5/7/21 Policy 05-15, and 5/21/21 Policy 05-17.</i> 7/1/21 Class counsel do not have comments at this time. Ready for Subject Matter Experts' review.	3/3/22 Medical SME sent edits on the Alcohol Withdrawal policy. 3/8/22 Medical SME sent edits on Benzodiazepine Withdrawal policy. 3/9/22 Medical SME sent edits on Opioid Withdrawal policy. 4/20/22 Medical SMEs approved the 3 withdrawal treatment policies with minor edits to PP 05-15 Opioid Withdrawal Monitoring and Treatment.	4/15/21 Benzodiazepine Withdrawal policy revised and sent. 5/7/21 Sent Opioid Withdrawal PP. 5/21/21 Sent Alcohol Withdrawal PP 6/25/21 Alcohol Withdrawal policy revised and sent. 3/8/22 Sent revised Alcohol Withdrawal policy with feedback incorporated for final review. 3/11/22 Sent revised Benzo & Opioid Withdrawal policies with feedback incorporated for final review. 3/29/22 Re-sent Alcohol & Opioid Withdrawal policies with minor revisions. 4/20/22 Accepted edits. – FINAL 12/13/23- Benzo, Opioid, & Alcohol revised & approved in ET
05-16 Medical Sick Call			10/29/21 Policy deleted. See PP 05-09 Health Service Requests.

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05-18 Chronic Disease Management <i>CHS Policy 1741</i>	Time-sensitive per Remedial Plan VI.D 5/26/21 Class Counsel do not have comments on Policy 05-18 Chronic Disease Management at this time. Ready for Medical SMEs review.	7/19/21 Medical SMEs sent extensive feedback on PP 05-18 Chronic Disease Management. 8/13/21 Medical SMEs reviewed policy revisions and have no further edits. Requested to be notified when policy is finalized and implemented.	7/13/20 See notes in the Remedial Plan Status Report re: Chronic Disease, Hepatitis C, & Detox PP. 11/30/20 See Draft PP 05-XX Chronic Disease Management. 5/21/21 Chronic Disease policy sent. 7/27/21 Sent revised draft PP 05-18 to SMEs for final review. Requested SMEs prioritize Hep C & Diabetes. 8/19/21 Will inform SMEs when policy is implemented. – FINAL
Provider Treatment Guidelines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hypertension • Diabetes • HIV/AIDS • Asthma 	5/26/21 Medical SMEs: Please review Provider Treatment Guidelines – Hypertension 7/1/21 HIV/AIDS and Hypertension Provider Treatment Guidelines ready for SME review. 1/30- Add Medication provision	8/6/22 Medical SME sent feedback on Hypertension guidelines. 8/19/22 Medical SME sent feedback on Diabetes guidelines. 3/10/23- Medical SME sent feedback on Diabetes guidelines.	5/21/21 Provider Treatment Guidelines for hypertension sent. 6/25/21 Treatment Guidelines for Diabetes and HIV/AIDS sent. 11/19/21 Asthma Guidelines sent. 9/22/22 DM in review and revision. 11/14/22 Sent revised HTN guidelines. 1/27/23 Sent revised DM guidelines. 2/10/23- Added Class Counsel's feedback 3/1/23- In review 3/23/23 Review SME Feedback 6/12/23 Accepted SME feedback 6/14/23 Posted FINAL Diabetes Guideline

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05-19 Hepatitis C Testing, Treatment and Monitoring	<p>Plaintiffs provided input on Hepatitis C policy via letter, 12/11/19, awaiting response.</p> <p>1/5/21 Chronic Disease and Hepatitis C policies sent to Medical SME for review.</p> <p>Question: We are not clear whether a revised policy is drafted/forthcoming. (Answered by ACH 5/5/21.)</p> <p>5/26/21 Class Counsel provided written input. We request input from Medical SMEs on Hepatitis C Policy 05-19.</p> <p>3/30/22 Class Counsel sent comments.</p> <p>4/13/22 Class Counsel approved the policy and requested ACH track and report on patients with Hepatitis C diagnosis.</p>	<p>12/10/21 Medical SMEs sent edits.</p> <p>3/31/22 Medical SME concurs with Class Counsel's 3/30/22 comments.</p> <p>4/20/22 Medical SMEs approved the policy.</p>	<p>11/30/20 See Draft PP 05-XX.</p> <p>5/5/21 Chronic Care and Hepatitis C policies are still draft.</p> <p>5/21/21 Hepatitis C policy sent.</p> <p>6/25/21 PP 05-19 Hepatitis C is in revision. Class Counsel feedback accepted.</p> <p>7/16/21 Pending SME feedback prior to revision.</p> <p>7/27/21 Requested SMEs to prioritize review of Hep C policy.</p> <p>11/10/21 Sent draft policy revision.</p> <p>12/16/21 In review and revision.</p> <p>1/12/22 Sent revised policy. Edits accepted. Staff changed testing to day 10 vs. 3 or 4. Sources do not specify testing date.</p> <p>4/7/22 Sent policy with Class Counsel comments incorporated.</p> <p>4/20/22 Will develop tracking and reporting. – FINAL</p>
05-20 Diabetes Management	<p>7/1/21 Class Counsel notes that the American Diabetes Association is expected to issue an updated position statement on Diabetes Management in Correctional Institutions, which should inform ACH policy per the Remedial Plan.</p> <p>11/5/21 Class Counsel sent ADA's new guidance on Diabetes Management in Detention Facilities.</p> <p>12/16/21 Class Counsel sent feedback on SME edits.</p>	<p>12/10/21 Medical SMEs sent edits.</p>	<p>5/5/21 Diabetes protocol will be drafted this month.</p> <p>6/25/21 Sent PP 05-20 Diabetes Management.</p> <p>7/30/21 Requested SMEs to prioritize review of diabetes policy.</p> <p>12/16/21 In revision based on feedback.</p> <p>01/12/22 Sent revised policy. Class Counsel & Medical SME feedback incorporated. – FINAL</p> <p>1/27/23 Policy updated based on ADA 2023 guidelines.</p>

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05-21 Restraints and Seclusion (Joint policy) <i>CHS Policy 1413</i> <i>JPS Policy 1008</i> Forms: - Restraint Reporting - Restraint Documentation	10/21/21 Class Counsel and SMEs met with County and provided feedback. 3/30/22 Class Counsel sent comments. 5/20/22 Class Counsel Deferred to MH Expert on forms.	10/21/21 Class Counsel and SMEs met with County and provided feedback. 5/6/22 MH Expert approved policy. 5/19/22 MH Expert approved forms. 6/14/22 MH Expert sent comments on the policy.	9/10/21 Policy revised and sent. 10/21/21 Met with Class Counsel and SMEs for feedback. Working on a joint policy. Will delete MH PP 09-09 Clinical Restraint & Seclusion in Acute Psychiatric Unit. 12/16/21 Sent revised joint policy. 5/16/22 Added policy attachments. 5/19/22 Forms approved. – FINAL
05-22 Patients in Segregation (Joint policy) <i>CHS Policy 1416</i>	4/2/22 Class Counsel sent comments on draft policy and assessment form. 5/27/22 Class Counsel approved policy and form.	4/4/22 MH SME sent comments. 5/17/22 MH SME approved policy and form.	9/17/21 Draft in development. 12/30/21 Sent draft policy and attachments. Joint policy. 4/28/22 Sent revised policy. 5/27/22 Renumbered to PP 05-22 – FINAL
06-02 Patients with Disabilities (Joint policy) <i>CHS Policies 1107, 1125, 1128, 1417, 1422, 1439</i>	3/19/21 Class counsel reviewed and confirmed approval of policy, with Class Counsel input incorporated. Policy looks good, subject to implementation.		7/10/20 Sent policy draft with Disabilities Form. Joint policy. 8/24/20 PLO/DRC approved form on 8/13/20. Unsure if PP approved. We incorporated their changes. 10/19/20 See comments for PP 06-03 below. – FINAL
06-03 Effective Communication (Joint policy)	3/19/21 Class counsel reviewed and confirmed approval of policy, with Class Counsel input incorporated. 5/5/21 Class counsel have reviewed 4/15/21 version. Policy looks good, subject to implementation.		7/10/20 Accepted policy revisions & sent with EC form. Joint policy. 8/24/20 PLO/DRC approved form on 8/13/20. Unsure if PP approved. We incorporated their changes. 10/19/20 Have worked on templates in the EHR. Staff are now testing these forms. Staff are also working on a draft PPT of policy/forms. 4/15/21 Sent revised policy - FINAL

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Disabilities Screening Tool and Effective Communication (EC) Form	3/19/21 Class counsel reviewed and provided comments to tool/forms. 5/5/21 ACH incorporated class counsel feedback and provided revised drafts on 4/15/21. Class counsel have no further comments. Forms look good, subject to implementation.		7/13/20 See PP 06-02 & 06-03 above 10/19/20 See comments for PP 06-03 4/15/21 Revised based on feedback. 7/16/21 Per email with Counsel, will revise communication inquiry to make it in simpler language. 9/2/21 Sent revised form with EC inquiry simplified. Class Counsel approved. – FINAL
06-04 Interpretation Services	3/19/21 Class counsel reviewed and provided comments. 5/5/21 ACH incorporated class counsel feedback and provided revised draft on 4/15/21. Class counsel have no further comments. Policy looks good, subject to implementation.		2/19/21 Sent policy. 4/15/21 Policy revised based on PLO/DRC feedback. – FINAL
06-05 ADA Coordination <i>CHS Policy 1107</i>	3/19/21 Class counsel reviewed and provided comments. 5/5/21 ACH incorporated class counsel feedback and provided revised draft on 4/15/21. Class counsel have no further comments. Policy looks good, subject to implementation.		2/19/21 Sent policy. 4/15/21 Policy revised based on PLO/DRC feedback. 7/16/21 Will revise post implementation of ATIMs. 11/5/21 Policy revised and sent. Added more operational detail. FINAL (subject to revision noted)
06-06 Patients with Disabilities or Other Significant Health Care Needs <i>CHS Policy 1422</i>	3/19/21 Class counsel reviewed and provided comments. 5/5/21 ACH incorporated class counsel feedback and provided revised draft on 4/15/21. Class counsel have no further comments. Policy looks good, subject to implementation.		2/19/21 Sent policy. 4/15/21 Name changed and policy revised based on PLO/DRC feedback. FINAL

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06-07 Health Care Appliances Assistive Devices and Durable Medical Equipment <i>CHS Policies 1125 and 1128</i>	3/19/21 Class counsel reviewed and provided comments. 5/5/21 ACH incorporated class counsel feedback and provided revised draft on 4/15/21. Class counsel have no further comments. Policy looks good, subject to implementation.		2/19/21 Sent policy. 4/15/21 Policy revised based on PLO/DRC feedback. FINAL
07-01 Informed Consent and Right to Refuse - Health Care Refusal Form	11/14/22 Class Counsel sent comments on form & defers to SMEs on policy.	11/14/22 All SMEs: Prioritize review. 11/18/22 Medical SME sent feedback. 9/20/23 MH SME approved.	10/5/22 Sent policy and form with draft revisions for review. 12/29/22 In review. Pending MH SME feedback 9/20/23 FINAL
07-03 Patients in Safety Cells			8/26/21 Contents integrated into joint PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention.
07-XX Patients in Segregation			5/27/22 Changed number to ACH PP 05-22.
08-01 Safeguarding Protected Health Information (Joint)	7/1/21 Class counsel do not have comments at this time. Ready for Medical and MH Experts' review.	9/20/23 MH SME approved.	6/25/21 Policy revised and sent. Joint policy. 9/20/23 Pending Medical SME feedback.
08-08 Patient Privacy (Joint policy) <i>CHS Policy 1117</i>	5/26/21 Class counsel have no comments at this time. Ready for all SMEs' review, including as to its compliance with Remedial Plan Sections IV.C, VI.B.2, VI.H, VII.C.2, VII.E.1, etc.	9/20/23 MH SME sent feedback.	5/21/21 Policy sent. Joint policy. 9/20/23 In review. Pending Medical SME feedback.

Standardized Nursing Procedure	Counsel Comments	Medical Expert Comments	County Response
• SNP Manual- New			12/22/23- Created New SNP Manual- will include all SNPs 12/29/23 sent for feedback

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Infection Control Section: COVID-19 Symptomatic Patient	Medical SMEs: Please review 4/15/21 version.		4/15/21 Sent new SNP.
Pregnancy Section: • Pregnancy Diagnosis, Treatment and Conditions			12/16/21 Sent revised SNP. 10/5/22 Sent revised SNP.
Skin Section: • Acne Vulgaris • Acute Contact Dermatitis • Atopic Dermatitis • Bites and Stings • Corns and Calluses • Folliculitis & Beard Infections • Fungal Skin Infections • Impetigo • Intertrigo • Irritation- <i>New</i> • Lice or Scabies Infestations • Psoriasis • Seborrheic Dermatitis/Dandruff	Medical SMEs: Please review 4/15/21 version.		4/15/21 Sent revised SNPs. 8/19/21 Lice/Scabies SNP renamed Infestations, revised and sent. 12/29/23 Sent New Skin Irritation SNP on New template
Substance Use Disorders: • Benzodiazepine Withdrawal Monitoring and Treatment • Opioid Withdrawal Monitoring and Treatment – FINAL • Alcohol Withdrawal Monitoring and Treatment • Suspected Opioid Overdose	Medical SMEs: Please review 4/15/21, 5/7/21, and 5/21/21 versions, respectively. 7/1/21 Benzodiazepine Withdrawal and Alcohol Withdrawal ready for SME review.	3/3/22 Medical SME sent edits on SNP Alcohol Withdrawal. 3/8/22 Medical SME sent edits on SNP Benzodiazepine Withdrawal. 3/9/22 Medical SME sent edits on SNP Opioid Withdrawal. 3/31/22 Medical SME sent comments on Benzodiazepine & Alcohol Withdrawal SNPs. 4/1/22 Medical SME approved Opioid Withdrawal SNP & sent minor comments on Suspected Opioid Overdose SNP.	4/15/21 Sent revised SNPs Benzodiazepine & Opiate Withdrawal Treatment. 5/7/21 Sent new Suspected Opioid Overdose. 5/21/21 Alcohol Withdrawal revised & sent. 6/25/21 Benzodiazepine Withdrawal and Alcohol Withdrawal revised again and sent. 10/15/21 Benzodiazepine, Opioid, & Alcohol Withdrawal SNPs revised and sent. 3/8/22 Sent revised Alcohol Withdrawal SNP with feedback incorporated for final review. 3/29/22 Sent revised Benzodiazepine, Opioid & Alcohol Withdrawal SNPs. 4/7/22 Sent revised Benzodiazepine, Alcohol Withdrawal and Suspected Opioid Overdose SNPs with SME feedback incorporated.

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		4/20/22 Medical SMEs approved all SUD SNPs.	4/20/22 FINAL
<u>Urological Section:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Penile Discharge • Renal or Ureteral Colic • Scrotal Pain • Urinary Retention • Urinary Tract Infection 	Medical SMEs: Please review 4/15/21 version.		4/15/21 Revised SNPs sent. 8/19/21 Scrotal Pain SNP revised and sent. 9/10/21 Penile Discharge revised and sent.
<u>General:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SNP Overview <u>Abdominal Section:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergent, Non-Emergent & Hernia <u>Cardiovascular & Lung Section:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asthma • Bronchitis, Pneumonia, & Shortness of Breath • Cardiac Dysrhythmias • Chest Pain • Chronic Stable Angina • Hypertension Urgency and Emergency • Hyperventilation <u>Dental Section:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dental Conditions <u>Endocrine Section:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diabetes <u>Eyes, Ears, Nose & Throat:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ear Conditions • Eye Conditions • Nose Conditions • Throat Conditions • Visual Complaints 	<p>Medical SMEs: Please review 5/7/21 versions.</p> <p>7/1/21 SNPs ready for SME review. Class Counsel notes that the American Diabetes Association is expected to issue an updated position statement on Diabetes Management in Correctional Institutions, which should inform ACH policy per the Remedial Plan.</p>	8/5/22 Medical SME sent feedback on Abdominal SNP	<p>5/7/21 Sent revised SNPs.</p> <p>6/25/21 Sent the following SNPs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diabetes (revision) • Visual Complaints (new) <p>7/16/21 Received Counsel feedback. Pending SME review prior to review.</p> <p>9/17/21 SNPs Ear Conditions and Visual Complaints revised and sent.</p> <p>6/23/22 Visual Complaints updated & sent.</p> <p>8/3/22 Abdominal: Emergent, Non-Emergent & Hernia updated & sent.</p> <p>9/22/22 Abdominal in review and revision.</p> <p>12/11/23 Chest Pain revised</p> <p>12/29/23 sent Chest Pain to SME for feedback</p>

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<u>Musculoskeletal Conditions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-traumatic • Traumatic <u>Neurological Section:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head/Cervical Spine Injury • Headaches • Seizure Disorders • Vasovagal Syncope 			
<u>Sexually Transmitted Infections:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bacterial Vaginosis • Chlamydia • Gonorrhea • Pelvic Inflammatory Disease • Trichomoniasis 		8/5/22 Medical SME sent feedback. 11/18/22 Medical SME sent feedback on 5 new draft SNPs.	8/3/22 Sent new SNP Vaginitis. 9/22/22 In review and revision. 11/14/22 Sent new draft STI SNPs and deleted vaginitis. 12/29/22 In review and revision.
<u>Allergies:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allergic Reactions Including Anaphylaxis 			12/29/22 Sent new SNP Allergic Reactions.

MH Policies	Class Counsel Comments	SME Comments	County Response
01-03 Responsible Mental Health Authority	12/30/20 Policy sent to MH SMEs. 5/5/21 MH/SP SMEs: Please review.	MH SME review priority 2	12/17/20 See attached policy. 9/27/23- Sent to SME & PLO
01-10 Access to Mental Health Services	12/30/20 Policy sent to MH SMEs. 5/5/21 MH/SP SMEs: Please review.	6/17/22 MH SME sent comment on timeframes.	7/13/20 Sent draft. 8/19/21 Policy revised and sent. 6/23/22 In review. 8/3/22 Added timeframes for emergent referrals when patient in safety cell. Kept Remedial Plan timeframes for other emergent and urgent referrals. – FINAL 7/12/23 Revised FINAL
03-01 Medical Assistant Responsibilities		09/24/23 MH SME approved.	8/19/21 Policy revised and sent. 09/24/23 — FINAL

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MH Policies	Class Counsel Comments	SME Comments	County Response
<i>JPS Policy 1051</i>			11/22/23- ACHM request removal of PP d/t no longer using MAs in ACMH.
03-02 Overview of Staff Responsibilities – APU <i>JPS Policy 1021</i>		09/20/23 MH SME sent feedback.	8/19/21 Policy revised and sent. 09/20/23 – In review.
03-03 Overview of Staff Responsibilities – Outpatient <i>JPS Policy 1022</i>		09/24/23 MH SME sent feedback.	8/19/21 Policy revised and sent. 09/24/23 – In review. 10/25/23- sent to MH SME for review 12/29/23- sent 10/25/23 version for review to PLO & SME
03-04 Psychiatric Prescriber Duties <i>JPS Policies 1204 & 1207</i>	9/1/23- <i>We defer to SME on review of policy</i>	09/20/23 MH SME sent feedback.	9/10/21 Policy revised and sent. 09/20/23 – In review. 11/15/23 – Revised with SME Feedback & Approved by ET & posted 12/29/23- FINAL
03-05 Acute Psychiatric Nursing Responsibilities <i>JPS Policy 1021</i>		09/24/23 MH SME approved.	12/16/21 Sent policy. 09/24/23 – FINAL 12/20/23 In Review
03-06 Acute Psychiatric Unit Psychiatrist Responsibilities <i>JPS Policies 1201 & 1203</i>		10/30/22 MH SME sent feedback. 11/30/22 MH SME gave verbal feedback during meeting.	12/16/21 Sent policy. 11/14/22 In review. 12/29/22 Feedback accepted – FINAL
04-01 Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP)	12/30/20 04-01 IOP Policy sent to MH SMEs. 5/5/21 MH/SP SMEs: Please review.	6/14/22 MH SME sent feedback.	7/13/20 Sent 04-01 Intensive Outpatient Program policy. 6/23/22 In review. 8/3/22 Feedback accepted – FINAL 3/23/23- Revised to correct timeframes.

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			3/24/23- Posted
04-02 FOSS Levels	12/30/20 Policy sent to MH SMEs. 5/5/21 MH/SP SMEs: Please review.	11/5/21 MH SME sent comments requesting a call to discuss the final draft. 12/7/21 MH SME met with County to discuss final draft. 12/27/21 MH SME approved.	12/17/20 See attached policy. 9/17/21 In discussion internally. 11/5/21 Final draft sent. 12/22/21 Sent revised final draft. MH SME feedback incorporated. 12/30/21 FINAL
04-03 Basic MH Services <i>JPS Policies Section 10</i> <i>CHS Policy 1411</i>	3/30/22 Class Counsel noted MH & SP SMEs may need to provide feedback. 6/15/22 Class Counsel send a comment.	6/14/22 MH SME sent edits.	8/19/21 Sent policy. 8/3/22 Class Counsel and SME edits incorporated. – FINAL
04-04 Outpatient MH Services & Levels of Care <i>JPS Policies 1029 & 1037</i>	3/30/22 Class Counsel noted MH & SP SMEs may need to provide feedback.	6/15/22 MH SME approved.	10/15/21 Sent policy. 6/23/22 FINAL
04-07 Acute Psychiatric Unit Precautions and Observation <i>JPS Policies 1009 & 1011</i>	4/1/22 Class Counsel approved the policy.	3/15/22 SP SME sent comments. 4/26/22 SP SME requested clarification. 5/9/22 SP SME approved. 6/17/22 MH and SP SME sent edits.	8/19/21 Policy revised and sent. 11/19/21 Sent revised policy. CCTV monitoring deleted. 3/29/22 In review. 4/1/22 Sent policy with feedback incorporated for final review. 6/23/22 Edits accepted – FINAL 12/13/23- Revised with SME feedback and Approved by ET-
04-08 Outpatient Program— Suicide Precautions, Observation Levels & Item Restriction		3/15/22 SP SME sent comments. 3/18/22 MH SME sent comments.	10/1/21 Sent new policy. 3/29/22 Policy deleted. Contents are included in joint ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention Program.
04-09 Acute Psychiatric Unit Admission, Program, and Discharge <i>JPS Policies 309, 700, 701, 704, 706, 707 & 805</i>		12/17/21 Suicide Prevention SME sent comments. 12/27/21 MH SME sent feedback on policy/attachments. 5/6/22 MH SME sent minor feedback. 10/30/22 MH SME sent additional feedback.	12/16/21 Sent policy and attachments. 12/22/21 Sent revised policy with SP SME edits incorporated. 12/30/21 In review and revision. 1/12/22 Sent final draft policy and attachments for final review. 5/6/22 Feedback accepted.

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		11/30/22 MH SME gave minor verbal feedback during meeting.	12/29/22 Minor edits included – FINAL 12/13/23- Revised with SME feedback & Approved by ET
05-01 MH Discharge Planning	12/30/20 Policy and Discharge Resource List sent to MH SMEs. 5/5/21 MH/SP SMEs: Please review.		5/19/22 Integrated contents into joint PP 05-10 Discharge Planning and deleted MH PP 05-01.
07-01 Behavior Management Plan <i>JPS Policy 1003</i>	1/7/22 Class Counsel sent comments. No additional edits to MH SME feedback.	1/3/22 MH SME sent edits. 1/25/22 Parties met to discuss MH SME feedback.	3/8/22 Integrated contents into MH PP 07-02 based on MH SME feedback. Deleted MH PP 07-01.
07-02 Treatment Planning - Multidisciplinary Intervention Plan form	12/30/20 Policy sent to MH SMEs. 5/5/21 MH/SP SMEs: Please review.	8/5/22 MH SME sent feedback on policy and form. 9/13/22 MH SME met with MH staff to discuss policy and form. 10/12/22 MH SME approved the policy and form.	11/30/20 See attached policy. 3/8/22 Sent revised policy with contents of Behavior Management Plan policy incorporated. 9/22/22 Sent revised policy and form. – FINAL
<i>Detoxification Policies</i> 07-03 Use of Benzodiazepines 07-04 Patients with Substance Use Disorders <i>JPS Policies 1032, 1112</i>	Time-sensitive, per Remedial Plan VI.N. 5/5/21 Class counsel have no comments at this time. SMEs: Please review 4/15/21 version.	8/10/23 MH SME review, minor edits no further review needed.	Other Withdrawal PP – <i>Joint</i> . See ACH PP 05-14, 05-15, & 05-17. 4/15/21 MH 07-03 revised & sent. 8/19/21 MH PP 07-04 revised and sent. 8/15/23 SME edits accepted - Final
07-05 Mental Health Evaluations for Planned Use of Force	10/21/21 Class Counsel and SMEs met with County and provided feedback.	10/21/21 Class Counsel and SMEs met with County and provided feedback. 1/24/22 MH SME approved the policy.	9/2/21 Initial policy sent. 10/21/21 Met with Class Counsel and SMEs for feedback on policy. 12/16/21 Sent revised policy draft for final review. 2/4/22 FINAL
07-06 Mental Health Rules Violation Review	1/7/22 Class Counsel sent feedback.	11/7/21 MH SME sent edits and comments on policy and form. 12/29/21 MH SME sent comments on the revised form.	11/5/21 Initial policy & form sent. 12/16/21 Sent revised policy/form 12/30/21 In review and revision.

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		1/4/22 MH SME sent minor comments on revised policy. 1/24/22 MH SME approved the policy and form.	1/12/22 Sent revised policy and form with feedback incorporated for final review. 2/4/22 FINAL
07-07 Mental Health Adaptive Support Program - Alta Regional Referral Form - Adaptive Support Survey - MH Adaptive Support Program Screener	12/6/21 Class Counsel sent feedback. 5/9/22 Class Counsel sent feedback. 6/15/22 Class Counsel approved with minor edit.	11/5/21 MH SME reviewed and had nothing to add.	9/17/21 Received IDD screening materials from Class Counsel. Draft policy in development. 11/5/21 Sent final draft policy and referral form. 12/16/21 In review and revision. 1/21/22 Sent revised policy/forms. 5/19/22 Included feedback & sent to Class Counsel for final review. 6/17/22 Accepted edit. – FINAL
07-09 Constant Observation of Mental Health Patients	7/3/23- Class Counsel sent feedback and added Lindsay Hayes for additional feedback.	2/17/23- Medical SME reviewed and added comments/questions MH SME review priority 3 09/20/23 MH SME sent feedback.	1/27/23 New policy sent. 3/1/23 Responses to Medical SME questions added– Pending CC & MH SME feedback 7/3/23- received & review CC feedback. 7/5/23- CC feedback approved by MH- Waiting for Lindsay Hayes feedback. 09/20/23 – In review 9/29/23- sent to MH SME for review 12/29/23- sent 9/29/23 version for review to PLO & SME
09-02 Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Conservatorship	12/30/20 Policy sent to MH SMEs. Please review. 5/5/21 MH/SP SMEs: Please review.	09/20/23 MH SME approved.	12/17/20 See attached policy. 09/20/23 - FINAL
09-03 Use of Safety Suits			See joint ACH PP 02-05

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09-04 Administration of Involuntary Psychotropic Medication	7/1/21 Class counsel do not have comments at this time. Ready for Medical and MH Experts' review.	8/10/23 MH SME approved.	6/25/21 Policy revised and sent. 8/15/23 FINAL
09-05 Informed Consent – Acute Inpatient Unit	7/1/21 Class counsel do not have comments at this time. Ready for Medical and MH Experts' review.	09/20/23 MH SME sent feedback.	6/25/21 Policy revised and sent. 09/20/23 – In review 9/29/23- sent to MH SME for review w/ sme feedback incorporated 12/29/23- sent 9/29/23 version for review to PLO & SME
09-06 Patient Rights <i>JPS Policy 303</i>	8/4/21 Class Counsel sent feedback on policy and Patient Rights Handbook.		7/30/21 Policy revised and sent. 8/19/21 In review. 10/15/21 Policy/handbook revised based on feedback – FINAL
09-07 Denial of Rights	9/1/23- <u>Class Counsel Comment:</u> <i>While this policy relates to state law requirements for operations in an acute mental health unit holding LPS patients, the Rights being discussed in this policy (and the related Policy MH-09-06: Patient Rights) overlap with the process for removal of property/privileges for patients as set forth in the Policy ACH-02-05: Suicide Prevention Program (at pp. 5-7) Policy. A cross-reference and/or repetition of the key policy components on this topic is appropriate.</i>	MH SME review priority 1 9/27/23- MH SME- No comments on policy	8/19/21 Sent policy. 9/27/23- sent for review 09/27/23 FINAL
09-08 PREA Referrals and Evaluations		09/20/23 MH SME sent feedback.	8/19/21 Policy revised and sent. 09/20/23 - In review

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<i>JPS Policy 1052</i>			
09-09 Clinical Restraint and Seclusion in Acute Psych Unit			See joint ACH PP 05-21 Restraints and Seclusion
09-10 Suicide Prevention			See joint ACH PP 02-05 Suicide Prevention for all comments.
09-11 Involuntary Detainment Advisement <i>JPS Policy 304</i>		10/30/22 MH SME approved.	10/15/21 Policy revised and sent. 11/14/22 FINAL
LGBTQI Treatment, Policies			See joint ACH PP 05-12
Grievance Procedures			See joint ACH PP 01-09

Quarterly Data Reporting (Remedial Plan Section II.C) – SMI Data sent quarterly. Link: <https://www.sacsheriff.com/pages/transparency.php>

Training	Class Counsel Comments	SME Comments	County Response
Suicide Prevention for New Employees (4-hour) Training	1/3/22 Class Counsel sent comments. 2/3/22 Class Counsel has questions & concerns about the revised training. 2/7/22 Class Counsel approved revised training PPT.	12/29/21 MH & SP SMEs sent joint edits. 2/5/22 SP SME sent comments.	12/17/21 Sent DRAFT training. 1/21/22 In review and revision. 2/1/22 Sent revised training. 2/7/22 Sent revised PPT with SP SME comments incorporated.
Use of Force Training	10/11/22 Class Counsel sent comments. 10/25/22 Class Counsel approved.	9/26/22 MH SME sent comments. 10/25/22 MH SME approved.	9/21/22 Sent draft training. 10/5/22 In review. 11/14/22 Feedback incorporated – FINAL

**ATTACHMENT 2 -
Sheriff's Office Report**

		<p>Procedure</p> <p>1008 Telephone Access 12/12/2023</p> <p>523 Body Scanner Procedure 12/12/2023</p>
<p>3. The County shall, within 12 months from court approval of the Settlement and in consultation with Plaintiffs’ counsel, revise policies, procedures, and inmate orientation materials (e.g. Inmate Handbook), in accordance with the revised Operations Order and the remedial provisions outlined herein. A list of policies which the County will revise consistent with the provisions outlined herein, as appropriate and in consultation with Plaintiffs’ counsel, is attached as Exhibit A-1.</p>	<p>Partial-Compliance</p>	<p>SSO is continually revising Policies and Procedures to ensure compliance. Included revised polices are noted above.</p>
<p>4. All staff will receive training appropriate to their position on policies and procedures related to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and related disability laws.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>All staff assigned to corrections (sworn staff and records officers) are assigned consent decree training since September of 2021. As new hires come on they are assigned the training and must attest to the completion of the training.</p> <p>ADA/Medical accommodations have been added to Jail Ops, which is in service training required for all new hires.</p>
<p>B. ADA Tracking System</p>		
<p>Provision Requirement</p>	<p>Status</p>	<p>Sheriff’s Office Update</p>
<p>1. The County shall develop and implement a comprehensive system (an “ADA Tracking System”) to identify and track screened prisoners with disabilities as well as accommodation and Effective Communication needs.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>During the last monitoring period, the Sheriff’s new Jail Management System (JMS), went “live.” ATIMS has the ability to communicate with Adult Correctional Health (ACH) Electronic Health Record (EHR) system. This allows data to be shared between the systems and alert Sheriff users of the incarcerated person’s ADA and Effective Communication needs.</p> <p>These alerts are prominent on the system and can be customized depending on the requests and needs of stake holders.</p>

<p>2. The ADA Tracking System shall identify:</p> <p>a) All types of disabilities, including but not limited to psychiatric, intellectual, developmental, learning, sensory, mobility, or other physical disabilities, and special health care needs;</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>ATIMS displays the information enumerated in this section to Sheriff employees. The information is entered by either the Sheriff's Compliance Unit (ATIMS person alert flags) or can be entered by ACH through their EHR program (medical alert flags).</p>
<p>2. b) Prisoners with disabilities that may pose a barrier to communication, including but not limited to learning, intellectual, or developmental disabilities, and hearing, speech, or vision impairments;</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>The ATIMS medical alert flags below are used to identify the disabilities that may pose a barrier to communication enumerated in this section.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developmental disabled • Effective communication – other • Hearing impairment description • Intellectual disability • Learning disability • Speech impairment description • Vision impairment description
<p>2. c) Accommodation needs, including as to housing, classification, Effective Communication, adaptive supports, and assistive devices;</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>All inmates are screened and accommodations identified are displayed and tracked on ATIMS</p>
<p>2. d) Prisoners who require specific health care appliances, assistive devices, and/or durable medical equipment (HCA/AD/DME);</p>	<p>Complaint</p>	<p>Current practice.</p>
<p>2. e) Prisoners who are class members in <i>Armstrong v. Newsom</i> (N.D. Cal. No. 94-cv-02307), with their applicable disability classification(s) and accommodation need(s).</p>	<p>Complaint</p>	<p>Current practice.</p>
<p>C. ADA Coordinator</p>		
<p>Provision Requirement</p>	<p>Status</p>	<p>Sheriff's Office Update</p>
<p>1. The County shall have a dedicated ADA Coordinator at each facility.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>Both positions overseen by the Compliance Commander at each facility.</p>

<p>2. The ADA Coordinator position shall be dedicated to coordinating efforts to comply with and carry out ADA-related requirements and policies, shall have sufficient command authority to carry out such duties, and shall work with the executive management team regarding ADA-related compliance, training, and program needs.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>Both positions overseen by the Compliance Commander at each facility.</p>
<p>3. The County shall clearly enumerate, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, the job duties and training requirements for the ADA Coordinator position and for ADA Deputies assigned to support the ADA Coordinator position.</p>	<p>Partial-Compliance</p>	<p>This item is pending the approval and completion of the ADA policy. It is being worked on by the team assigned to the Lexipol project.</p>
<p>4. The County shall ensure that ADA Coordinators and ADA Deputies possess requisite training to implement and ensure compliance with the Jail's disability program and services, including operation of the ADA Tracking System.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>Main Jail Compliance attended the Winter 2021 training presented by the great plains ADA Center. They also had in house training in March. RCCC Compliance Unit has attend all available ADA training presented by the National ADA center with the exception of 2020. RCCC Compliance team attended Crisis Intervention Training and attended the ADA coordinator training in winter of 2022 as well as the ADA Symposium virtual training in May of 2022. All deputies assigned to corrections receive training in Module 8.0 (Adult Corrections Supplemental Core Course). Same for both facilities. Main Jail Compliance team attended Great Plains ADA Center training in February 2022. All staff continues to attend mandatory ADA training through our AOT cycle. RCCC Compliance team attended Crisis Intervention Training and attended the ADA coordinator training in winter of 2022 as well as the ADA Symposium virtual training in June 2023. All deputies assigned to corrections receive training in Module 8.0 (Adult Corrections Supplemental Core Course). Same for both facilities. Main Jail Compliance team attended Great Plains ADA Center training in February 2022. All staff continues to attend mandatory ADA training through our AOT cycle.</p>

D. Screening for Disability and Disability-Related Needs.
See Adult Correctional Health Status Update.

E. Orientation

Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
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1. The County shall ensure that, for the population to be housed in the Jails, prisoners with disabilities are adequately informed of their rights under the ADA, including but not limited to:	Compliant	This function is performed by Compliance Officers on an as needed basis. Every inmate sees a pre-recorded effective communications orientation video on their tablet as well as a video orientation played in dress-in tanks. There is signage posted in Intake/Booking and in all housing units/ADA contact info is in the handbook/ADA hotline recording. RCCC and Main Jail advise through the inmate handbook in addition to the mentioned signage. This information will also be part of the "inmate orientation" during the booking/intake process.
a) Accommodations available to prisoners;	Compliant	This function is performed by Compliance Officers on an as needed basis. The inmate handbook contains information how to obtain a request form. The most up to date Jail handbook is available on every inmate tablet. RCCC and Main Jail inmates can fill out a health services request with ACH or a message request to SSO compliance.
b) The process for requesting a reasonable accommodation;	Compliant	This function is performed by Compliance Officers on an as needed basis. There is signage posted in Intake/Booking and in all housing units. ADA contact info is in the inmate handbook, including the ADA hotline number. The handbook outlines the process necessary to request accommodations. Accommodations are made through a medical order and monitored by the compliance unit.
c) The role of the ADA coordinator(s) and method to contact them;	Compliant	This function is performed by Compliance Officers on an as needed basis. Main Jail and RCCC inmates can dial 232 indicated in the handbook from the pod telephones and/or fill out available kites for communication. Contact information is available on announcements posted through the facility and inmate handbook. ADA policy currently being worked on by Lexipol project teams
d) The grievance process, location of the forms, and process for getting assistance in completing grievance process;	Compliant	This function is performed by Compliance Officers on an as needed basis. The inmate handbook identifies the grievance procedure and how to obtain forms. The handbook is available on all inmate tablets. Contact information is available on announcements posted through the facility and inmate handbook. This process is included in the handbook that

		is provided to the inmates upon intake. The Inmate Handbook identifies the grievance procedure and how to obtain forms.
e) Instructions on how prisoners with disabilities can access health care services, including the provision of Effective Communication and other accommodations available in accessing those services.	Compliant	This function is performed by Compliance Officers on an as needed basis. The advisement by ACH upon intake and the general process is listed in the inmate handbook that is provided upon intake and anytime during the inmate's custody period upon their request. Inmates can submit a medical health services request or a request to compliance. An inmate orientation video has been added to inmate tablets. A project is underway to play this orientation video on a loop in the MJ booking dress-in tanks.
2. Upon processing and classification, prisoners with disabilities shall receive, in an accessible format, the jail rulebook; orientation handbook; and a verbal orientation or orientation video regarding rules or expectations.	Compliant	Verbal and written communication presented by compliance officers upon request. The handbook is received at intake and available upon request however, only one format/version of the handbook is available on the inmate tablet. We have the ability to print the Handbook in an 8x11 inch size. Inmates are given a verbal orientation by deputies. A project is underway to play this orientation video on a loop in the MJ booking dress-in tanks.
3. The County shall accommodate individuals with disabilities in the orientation process through the use of alternative formats (e.g. verbal communication, large print, audio/video presentation), when necessary for Effective Communication of the information.	Partial-Compliance	This function is performed by Compliance Officers on an as needed basis. We have the ability to print the inmate handbook in an 8x11 inch size. The inmate handbook is on the inmate tablet. A project is underway to play this orientation video on a loop in the MJ booking dress-in tanks.
4. The County shall develop an Americans with Disabilities Act Inmate Notice. The Notice shall be prominently posted in all prisoner housing units, in the booking/intake areas, in medical/mental health/dental treatment areas, and at the public entrances of all Jail facilities.	Compliant	There is ADA signage posted in noted areas. The signage is compliant with ADA federal requirements.
F. Health Care Appliances, Assistive Devices, Durable Medical Equipment		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall establish a written policy to ensure provision of safe and operational HCA/AD/DME, with a process for repair and	In Process	This item is pending the approval and completion of the ADA policy. It is being worked on by the team assigned to the Lexipol project.

replacement.		
2. The County shall timely provide HCA/AD/DME to prisoners with disabilities who require such assistance. The County shall ensure an individualized assessment by medical staff to determine whether HCA/AD/DME is warranted to ensure equal and meaningful access to programs, services, and activities in the Jail.	Compliant	Under Adult Correctional Health's purview. ACH approves and issues HCA/AD/ DME. When new equipment needs repair ACH provides replacements.
3. The County shall allow prisoners to retain personal HCAs/ADs/DME (which will include reading glasses), unless there is an individualized determination that doing so would create an articulated safety or security risk.	Compliant	Current practice. Will be part of policy
3. a) Where Jail staff determine it is necessary to remove a prisoner's personal HCA/AD/DME for security reasons, the County shall provide an equivalent Jail-issued device unless custody staff, with supervisory review, determine and document, based on an individualized assessment, that the device constitutes a risk of bodily harm or threatens the security of the facility.	Compliant	Current practice. Will be part of policy
3. b) If such a determination is made, the ADA coordinator or supervisory-level designee shall document the decision and reasons for it, in writing, and shall consult with medical staff to determine an appropriate alternative accommodation.	Compliant	Medical staff approves/authorizes medical equipment. Medical and custody work together to determine appropriate alternative accommodations when needed for safety reasons
4. The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, implement a written policy governing the release of prisoners who need assistive devices upon release.	In Process	This item is pending the approval and completion of the ADA policy. It is being worked on by the team assigned to the Lexipol project.
4. a) The County will ensure that any personal mobility device belonging to a prisoner is returned to the prisoner prior to release from custody.	Compliant	Current practice.
4. b) If a prisoner does not have a personal mobility device, but is ambulatory with the assistance of a cane, crutch, or walker, the prisoner will be permitted to retain such device that was used while in custody upon release, or will be provided a comparable device, upon release.	Compliant	Current practice
4. c) If a prisoner who is due for release requires a wheelchair, but does not have a personal wheelchair, Jail staff shall coordinate with the prisoner, the prisoner's family or friends, and other County	Partial-Compliance	Current practice-If an inmate does not have a family member or program coordinator available to meet them with the assistive device they require, SSO allows them to be released from the facility with the equipment they

agencies as needed to secure a wheelchair or take other steps to address the individual's needs upon release. The County shall document this process in the ADA Tracking System for purposes of individual tracking and quality assurance.		require. SSO is still working on documentation in ATIMS for ADA tracking and QA. Custody works together with medical staff and the inmate to ensure all steps are taken to meet the inmates needs upon release.
G. Housing Placements		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall house prisoners with disabilities in facilities that accommodate their disabilities.	Partial-Compliance	SSO and ACH provides appropriate housing to the fullest extent possible with the structural limitations of the current facilities.
2. The County shall implement a housing assignment system that includes an individualized assessment of each individual's functioning limitations and restrictions, including but not limited to:		
2. a) The need for ground floor housing;	Compliant	
2. b) The need for a lower bunk;	Compliant	SSO accommodates inmate disabilities as recommended by ACH. Through their Electronic Health Record ACH transmits an alert flag to SSO's Jail Management System, ATIMS. The alert flag determines the individuals housing assignment with a lower bunk.
2. c) The need for grab bars in the cell and/or shower;	Partial-Compliant	<p>All RCCC housing facilities have shower chairs available for inmates upon request from their control and/or floor officers. MJ 2E & 2M have grab bars; shower chairs on every floor available upon request.</p> <p>On December 8, 2022 the Sacramento Board of Supervisors approved to build a Jail Intake and health Services Facility (IHSF) as well as make ADA facility improvement to the currently Jail which will include more accessible cells and showers. While the HISF is on hold, plans are also in place for renovating the Main Jail creating accessible showers and cells for wheelchairs.</p> <p>Interim measures are being explored to adapt the existing infrastructure for those with accessibility needs.</p>
2. d) The need for accessible toilets;	Partial-Compliant	On December 8, 2022 the Sacramento Board of Supervisors approved to build a Jail Intake and health Services Facility (IHSF) as well as make ADA

		<p>facility improvement to the currently Jail which will include accessible toilets. While the HISF is on hold, plans are also in place for renovating the Main Jail creating accessible showers and cells for wheelchairs.</p> <p>Interim measures are being explored to adapt the existing infrastructure for those with accessibility needs.</p>
<p>2. e) The need for no stairs in the path of travel; and</p>	<p>Partial-Compliant</p>	<p>SSO accommodates inmate disabilities as recommended by ACH. through their Electronic Health Record ACH transmits an alert to SSO's Jail Management System, ATIMS, the alert determines the individuals need for no stairs.</p> <p>Social and Attorney visits continue to overwhelm the current Main Jail as there is only one Attorney Visit booth, and 2 Social Visit booths without stairs (located on the 2-East housing unit). RCCC has visit areas and medical areas with no stairs in the path of travel.</p> <p>On December 8, 2022 the Sacramento Board of Supervisors approved to build a Jail Intake and health Services Facility as well as make ADA facility improvement to the currently Jail which will include more accessible cells and showers. While the HISF is on hold, plans are also in place for renovating the Main Jail creating accessible showers and cells for wheelchairs.</p> <p>An interim wheelchair accessible attorney visit booth was created in the court booking area which can be used during business hours.</p>
<p>2. f) The need for level terrain.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>SSO accommodates inmate disabilities as recommended by ACH. Through their Electronic Health Record, ACH transmits an alert flag to SSO's Jail Management System, ATIMS, the alert determines the individuals housing assignment with a lower bunk (no climbing).</p>
<p>3. Prisoners with disabilities shall be housed in the Jail consistent with their individual security classification. Prisoners prescribed or possessing HCAs/ADs/DME will not automatically be housed in a medical housing unit. Placement in a medical housing unit will be based on individualized clinical determination of need for treatment.</p>	<p>Partial-Compliant</p>	<p>SSO and ACH provides appropriate housing to the fullest extent possible with the structural limitations of the current facilities.</p> <p>Security classification is not determined by disability or HCA/AD/DME; Medical Housing Unit (MHU) housing is determined by ACH based on an individual assessment. Current practice at Main Jail. Medical housing is determined by ACH, not classification status.</p>

4. Classification staff shall not place prisoners with disabilities in:		
4. a) Inappropriate security classifications simply because no ADA-accessible cells or beds are available;	Compliant	Current practice.
4. b) Designated medical areas unless the prisoner is currently receiving medical care or treatment that necessitates placement in a medical setting; or	Compliant	Current practice.
4. c) Any location that does not offer the same or equivalent programs, services, or activities as the facilities where they would be housed absent a disability.	Partial-Compliance	RCCC and MJ programs and services are available based on eligibility and classification. Expansion of Main Jail IOP services are being explored for those with a disability.
H. Access to Programs, Services, and Activities		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall ensure prisoners with disabilities, including those housed in specialized medical units or mental health units (<i>e.g.</i> , OPP, IOP, Acute) have equal access to programs, services, and activities available to similarly situated prisoners without disabilities, consistent with their health and security needs. Such programs, services, and activities include, but are not limited to:		Current practice.
1. a) Educational, vocational, reentry and substance abuse programs	Compliant	RCCC offers in person learning based on eligibility criteria being met. Reentry programs are not offered to inmates in specialized mental health units. Same at MJ; we have introduced reentry into the Main Jail and have been mirroring that of RCCC.
1. b) Work Assignments	Compliant	RCCC and MJ work assignments are based on ACH medical clearance and ability to perform the essential functions of the job with or without an accommodation; Reasonable accommodations are made based on ACH recommendation. Classification assists with filtering eligibility criteria.

1. c) Dayroom and other out-of-cell time	Partial-Compliance	<p>Out-of-cell time determined by the Consent Decree is currently met by all housing facilities at RCCC. Inmates in specialized MH units such as IOP and JBCT receive additional out of cell and dayroom time due to the nature of their program.</p> <p>At Main Jail we are at or near the out of cell times on a weekly basis.</p> <p>The Main Jail Compliance unit conducts weekly audits of out of cell time and publishes these results to all four shifts to ensure continued compliance or highlighting those areas that are nearing compliance.</p>
1. d) Outdoor recreation and fitted exercise equipment	Compliant	<p>Recreational schedule is based on security classification and not on the inmate's disability.</p> <p>At the MJ there is elevator access to the outdoor recreation area for those with disabilities.</p>
1. e) Showers	Compliant	Current practice.
1. f) Telephones	Compliant	Current practice.
1. g) Reading materials	Complaint	<p>SSO recreation staff does not provide reading materials for special needs (Braille, large print) on a regular basis. Occasionally they receive large print books and they distribute them to the inmates. Reading glasses can be purchased through commissary. RCCC and MJ have magnifying cards on commissary. The compliance teams will provide them on a needs based assessment as well.</p> <p>Each inmate has a tablet reading material capable of being magnified to make the text larger.</p>
1. h) Social visiting	Partial-Compliant	<p>RCCC current practice.</p> <p>Social and Attorney visits continue to overwhelm the current Main Jail as there is only one Attorney Visit booth, and 2 Social Visit booths without stairs (located on the 2-East housing unit). Any individual who cannot climb</p>

		stairs is required to use the visiting area on 2-East.
1. i) Attorney visiting	Partial-Compliant	RCCC Current practice. MJ has severe limitations as there is only 1 attorney visit booth on a ground floor level.
1. j) Religious services	Compliant	Current practice.
1. k) Medical, mental health, and dental services and treatment	Compliant	RCCC and MJ Inmates assigned to specialized MH units (IOP, JBCT) receive additional, individualized, specialized mental health services through their program, in addition to the services provided through ACMH. Health Service Request (HSR) forms are available for additional treatment requests.
2. The County shall provide reasonable accommodations and modifications as necessary to ensure that prisoners with disabilities have equal access to programs, services, and activities available to similarly situated prisoners without disabilities.	Compliant	RCCC and MJ - Current practice. Programs and activity availability differ based on the inmate's security classification. All inmates participate in activities and programs available to their security classification.
3. The County shall develop and implement a written policy for staff to provide appropriate assistance to prisoners with psychiatric, developmental, or cognitive disabilities so that they can fully participate in programs, services, and activities provided at the Jail.	In Process	In February 2023 the Sheriff's Office formed a new Legal and Policy Bureau. A Lieutenant position was added to lead the unit. One of the core duties of this unit it to update all policies and procedures to the Lexipol system with a focus on policies and procedures related to the Mays Consent Decree. Multiple polices have been updated during this monitoring period.
4. The County shall implement a written policy for staff to provide assistance to prisoners with disabilities in reading or scribing documents.	In Process	In February 2023 the Sheriff's Office formed a new Legal and Policy Bureau. A Lieutenant position was added to lead the unit. One of the core duties of this unit it to update all policies and procedures to the Lexipol system with a focus on policies and procedures related to the Mays Consent Decree. Staff will assist inmates with disabilities with reading and scribing

		documents as needed.
5. The County shall provide equal access to library, recreational, and educational reading materials for prisoners with disabilities, including easy reading and large print books for individuals who require such accommodations.	Compliant	Current practice, including the purchase of keep-on-person magnifiers. Main Jail issues chrono for the following; soft magnifiers; hard one broke; law library has one on hand
6. The County shall ensure equitable inmate worker opportunities for prisoners with disabilities, including by:		
6 a) Ensuring clear job duty statements, with essential functions and specific criteria, for each Worker position;	Partial-Compliance	RCCC- Job Descriptions completed. Medical will determine if eligible inmates can physically perform the job duties in a safe manner. MJ has positions in kitchen
6 b) Ensuring that medical staff conduct an individualized assessment to identify work duty restrictions and/or physical limitations to facilitate appropriate work/industry assignments and to prevent improper exclusions from work opportunities;	Compliant	RCCC and MJ - Current practice.
6 c) Providing reasonable accommodations to enable prisoners with disabilities to participate in inmate worker opportunities.	Compliant	RCCC and MJ - Current practice.
I. Effective Communication		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall assess all individuals detained at the Jail for any period of time for Effective Communication needs, and shall take steps to provide Effective Communication based on individual need	Partial-Compliance	During intake, ACH assesses a need for effective communication. The Sheriff's Compliance Unit can follow up and provide aid. Applicable policy is being written.
2. The County's ADA policies shall include comprehensive guidance to ensure Effective Communication for prisoners with vision, speech, hearing, intellectual, learning, or other disabilities. The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, ensure that sufficient guidance on the provision of Effective Communication is included in Jail custody and health care policies and procedures.	In-Process	Applicable policy is in process.
3. Standard for Provision of Effective Communication in Due Process Events and Clinical Encounters	Partial-Compliance	Policy is forthcoming, but effective communication needs are part of the Jail Management System and alert flags will notify staff of the need for effective communication in due process events.

3 a) A higher standard for the provision of Effective Communication shall apply in the following situations: i. Due Process Events, including the following:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classification processes 	Partial-Compliance	This item is pending the creation and approval of the effective communication order. All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prisoner disciplinary hearing and related processes 	In Process	This item is pending the creation and approval of the effective communication order. All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Service of notice (to appear and/or for new charges) 	In Process	This item is pending the creation and approval of the effective communication order. All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Release processes 	In Process	This item is pending the creation and approval of the effective communication order. All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Probation encounters/meetings in custody 	In Process	This item is pending the creation and approval of the effective communication order. All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team
ii. Clinical Encounters, including the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determination of medical history or description of ailment or injury Diagnosis or prognosis Medical care and medical evaluations Provision of mental health evaluations, rounds, group and individual therapy, counseling and other therapeutic activities Provision of the patient's rights, informed consent, or permission for treatment Explanation of medications, procedures, treatment, treatment options, or surgery Discharge instructions 		See ACH Status Report

3 b) In the situations described in subsection (a), above, Jail staff shall:		
i. Identify each prisoner's disability where there may be a barrier to comprehension or communication requiring reasonable accommodation(s);	In Process	This item is pending the creation and approval of the effective communication order. All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team
ii. Provide effective reasonable accommodation(s) to overcome the communication barrier; and	In Process	This item is pending the creation and approval of the effective communication order. All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team
iii. Document the method used to achieve Effective Communication and how the staff person determined that the prisoner understood the encounter, process, and/or proceeding.	In Process	This item is pending the creation and approval of the effective communication order. All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team
4. Effective auxiliary aids and services that are appropriate to the needs of a prisoner with Effective Communication needs shall be provided when simple written or oral communication is not effective. Such aids may include bilingual aides, SLIs, readers, sound amplification devices, captioned television/video text displays, Videophones and other telecommunication devices for deaf persons (TDDs), audiotaped texts, Braille materials, large print materials, writing materials, and signage.	Compliant	VRI system installed at RCCC with the intention of bringing a similar system to the Main Jail. The VRI provides interpretation for SLI as well as multiple spoken languages. Video visitation RFP is in process. RCCC employs VRS technology, TDD and signage for hearing impaired inmates to communicate with friends and family. The use of SLI is authorized through policy; bilingual aides are also available. MJ has VRS & TDD SLI -no tablet
5. In determining what auxiliary aid service to provide, the County shall give primary consideration to the request of prisoner with Effective Communication needs.	Compliant	RCCC and MJ offers a variety of auxiliary aids for inmates with effective communication needs and gives primary consideration to the request of the inmate with E.C. needs.
6. Education providers (e.g., Elk Grove Unified School District) at the Jail will ensure Effective Communication for prisoners participating in education programs, including by providing necessary assistive equipment and take steps to accommodate learning strategies of those prisoner-students who have special needs, such as those with developmental, learning, vision, hearing, and speech disabilities.	Partial Compliance	This item is pending approval of the effective communication order however, the RCCC Compliance Unit tracks inmates with special needs and works with the Elk Grove Unified School District to provide accommodations. VRI has been used to assist in the past. Currently, pending EGUSD response for their practices/policies on this subject.
7. The County shall assist prisoners who are unable to complete necessary paperwork (e.g., related to health care, due process, Jail	Compliant	Current practice.

processes) on their own with reading and/or writing as needed.		
8. The County shall permit prisoners, including those who are illiterate, non-English speaking, or otherwise unable to submit written or electronic sick call requests, to verbally request care. Such verbal requests shall immediately be documented by the staff member who receives the request on an appropriate form and transmitted to a qualified mental health or medical professional for response in the same priority as those sick call requests received in writing.		See ACH Status Report
9. The County shall post and disseminate notices, policies, job announcements, and other written material in alternative formats to promote Effective Communication.	Compliant	Current practice.
J. Effective Communication and Access for Individuals with Hearing Impairments		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall develop and implement a policy for newly arrived and newly identified prisoners with hearing disabilities to determine each prisoner's preferred method of communication.	In Process	This item is pending the creation and approval of the effective communication order. RCCC utilizes VRI services at intake/transfer to communicate with inmates with hearing disabilities. These inmates are referred to the Compliance Unit for individualized assistance and assessment. Same at MJ based on chrono or request
2. Qualified Sign Language Interpreters (SLIs) will be provided during intake and for due process functions, health care encounters, and Jail programming, when sign language is the prisoner's primary or only means of Effective Communication, unless the prisoner waives the assistance of an interpreter and/or delay would pose a safety or security risk.	Compliant	RCCC Video Remote Interpreting (VRI) tablets provide live interactive SLI services. The tablet is located in Booking and in the Classification office. The service is available 24/7 for use by officers for any procedure. Same at MJ, through VRS
2 a) The County shall maintain a contract or service agreement with interpreter services in order to provide such services for deaf or hearing-impaired prisoners. Jail staff will be informed of the availability of contract interpreter services.	Compliant	RCCC and MJ currently have a contract for live VRI services in addition to contracted services listed in Operations Order 6/14 - Interpreter Services. Information regarding both are available to custody staff.
2 b) Lip reading will not be the sole method of Effective Communication used by staff, unless the prisoner has no other means of communication.	Compliant	RCCC and MJ offers a variety of auxiliary aids for inmates with effective communication needs and gives primary consideration to the request of the inmate with E.C. needs.

2 c) In cases where the use of an SLI is not practicable, or is waived by the prisoner, Jail staff shall employ the most effective form of communication available.	Compliant	RCCC Video Remote Interpreting (VRI) tablets provide live interactive SLI services. The tablet is located in Booking and in the Classification office. The service is available 24/7 for use by officers for any procedure. Same at Main Jail through VRS
2 d) The County will maintain a log of (a) when, for whom, and for what purpose an SLI was used; and (b) when, for whom, and why a SLI was <i>not</i> used for a prisoner with an identified need for SLI services (e.g., prisoner waived SLI or delay would have posed safety or security risk).	Partial-Compliance	RCCC - VRI keeps log by name and x-reference, spoken language and SLI on device. At MJ the floor officer & 2 east officer log in book when VRS is used
2 e) When a prisoner waives an SLI, the log must document (a) the method of communication of the waiver, and (b) the method staff used to determine that the waiver was knowing and freely given.	In Process	This item is pending the creation and approval of the effective communication order.
3. Jail Staff shall effectively communicate the contents of the Inmate Handbook and other materials providing information on Jail rules and procedures to all prisoners to be housed in the Jail who are deaf or hard of hearing. For those prisoners for whom written language is not an effective means of communication, Jail Staff may meet this obligation by providing a video of an SLI signing the contents of the Inmate Handbook, along with appropriate technology for viewing, or by providing an SLI to interpret the contents of the Inmate Handbook to the prisoner who is deaf or hard of hearing.	Compliant	At RCCC and MJ, all inmates are provided with a copy of the inmate handbook however, there is no video with an SLI signing the contents. Assistance would be provided by staff as necessary with the use of the VRI or by reading information needed.
4. The County shall, within 12 months from court approval of the Settlement, make Videophones available for deaf and hard of hearing prisoners. The Videophones shall provide for calls through the use of Video-Relay Services (VRS) at no cost to deaf and hard of hearing prisoners or for calls directly to another Videophone.	Compliant	VRS/VRI system installed at RCCC. VRS at MJ. The VRS is provided at no cost to inmates.
5. Deaf/hard of hearing prisoners who use telecommunication relay services, such as Videophone or TDD/TTY machine, in lieu of the telephone shall receive equal access to the Videophone or TDD/TTY services as non-disabled prisoners are afforded for regular telephone usage.	Compliant	VRS services were added through Secures contract during this monitoring period.
6. The County shall provide deaf/hard of hearing prisoners with additional time for calls using telecommunication relay services, such as a Videophone or TDD/TTY, to account for the fact that signed and	Compliant	Telephone calls are not timed. This is current practice.

typed conversations take longer than spoken conversations. The County shall document the time that each prisoner uses and has access to such equipment.		
7. Prisoners who require an SLI as their primary method of communication shall be provided an SLI for education, vocational, or religious programs and services.	Partial-Compliance	This item is pending approval of the effective communication order. RCCC is awaiting a response from EGUSD for policy and practices. All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team
8. Public verbal announcements in housing units where individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing reside shall be delivered on the public address system (if applicable) and by flicking the unit lights on and off several times to alert prisoners that an announcement is imminent. This includes announcements regarding visiting, meals, recreation release and recall, count, lock-up, and unlock. Verbal announcements may be effectively communicated via written messages on a chalkboard or by personal notification, as consistent with individual need. These procedures shall be communicated to prisoners during the orientation process and also shall be incorporated into relevant policies and post orders.	Partial-Compliance	This item is pending approval of the effective communication order however, RCCC has no standard practice for notification. Officers assigned to housing units where a deaf inmate is housed are advised by the Compliance Unit officers of the need for special accommodations regarding verbal announcements. Same at MJ/officers will go to the door if they know they are deaf and need to come out
K. Disability-Related Grievance Process		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall implement a grievance system for prisoners with disabilities to report any disability-based discrimination or violation of the ADA, this Remedial Plan, or Jail ADA-related policy, and shall provide a prompt response and equitable resolution in each case.	Compliant	Medical Grievance boxes installed. ADA added to grievance forms. Grievance Policy 609 published to SSO employees most recently updated 12/05/2023
2. The County shall ensure that the grievance procedures are readily available and accessible to all prisoners.	Compliant	Grievances are made available to all inmates. Process is included in handbook and orientation video (in process)
2 a) The County shall make reasonable efforts to ensure all prisoners are aware of the disability grievance procedures, including the availability of accommodations and staff assistance to submit a grievance and/or appeal.	Compliant	Current practice.
2 b) The County shall ensure the prisoners with disabilities have meaningful access to grievance forms, including through provision of	Partial-Compliance	Current practice however, large print has not been developed yet. Reading glasses can be purchased on commissary as well as keep on person self-

staff assistance and large print materials.		magnifying cards at RCCC and MJ.
3. Response to Grievances		
3 a) The County shall develop and implement an ADA grievance process that includes (1) a reasonable timeline for response to ADA-related grievances and appeals, including an expedited process for urgent ADA grievance (e.g., involving prisoner safety or physical well-being); and (2) provision for interim accommodations pending review of the individual's grievances/appeals.	In Process	This item is pending the approval and completion of the ADA policy. Grievance Policy 609 has been published most recently updated 12/05/2023
3 b) The County shall ensure that prisoners with communication needs are interviewed and provided assistance as part of the grievance/appeal process where necessary to ensure meaningful access and Effective Communication.	Compliant	Compliance staff provides assistance or finds resources when necessary.
3 c) The County shall document each denial of a reasonable accommodation request and shall record the basis for such determination.	Compliant	Current practice.
3 d) The County shall provide in writing a copy of the grievance (or appeal) response to the prisoner, including the resolution, the basis for a denial (if applicable), and the process for appeal.	Compliant	Current practice. The process for appeal is contained within the inmate handbook and the orientation video.
3 e) The County shall ensure that completed grievance responses are effectively communicated to prisoners with disabilities.	Compliant	The grievance policy was updated 12/5/23
4. The submission, processing, and responses for disability-related grievances and complaints shall be tracked.	Compliant	Current practice.
L. Alarms/Emergencies		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall ensure that all written policies regarding alarms and emergencies contain mandatory provisions to accommodate prisoners with disabilities.	In Process	This item is pending the approval and completion of the ADA policy. All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team
2. The County shall implement written policies regarding the expectations of staff as to prisoners with identified disabilities during emergencies and alarms, including as to disabilities that may affect prisoners' ability to comply with orders or otherwise respond to	In Process	In February 2023 the Sheriff's Office formed a new Legal and Policy Bureau. A Lieutenant position was added to lead the unit. One of the core duties of this unit it to update all policies and procedures to the Lexipol system with a focus on policies and procedures related to the Mays

emergencies and alarms. For example, the policies shall ensure appropriate handling of prisoners with mobility-related disabilities who are unable to prone or take a seated position on the ground during an alarm or emergency. Such policies shall be communicated to staff, incorporated into the relevant Operations Orders, and communicated to prisoners with disabilities using Effective Communication.		Consent Decree. Even though the policy is not in place, staff does offer assistance during emergencies at RCCC and Main Jail and disabilities are taken into consideration by staff.
3. The County shall implement written policies for staff regarding communicating effectively and appropriately with prisoners who have disabilities that may present barriers to communication during emergencies or alarms.	In Process	Pending. Even though the policy is not in place, staff does offer assistance during emergencies at RCCC and Main Jail and disabilities are taken into consideration by staff.
4. In order to facilitate appropriate accommodations during alarms or emergencies, the County shall offer, but shall not require, individuals who have disabilities visible markers to identify their disability needs (e.g., identification vests). The County shall maintain a list, posted in such a way to be readily available to Jail staff in each unit, of prisoners with disabilities that may require accommodations during an alarm or emergency	Non-Compliant	Pending ATIMS allows staff to see anyone housed in their facility that requires accommodations.
5. The County shall install visual alarms appropriate for individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, which shall comply with relevant fire code regulations.	Compliant	At RCCC and MJ, visual alarms are currently installed compliant with relevant fire code regulations.
6. All housing units shall post notices for emergency and fire exit routes.	Compliant	Emergency and fire exit routes posted.
M. Searches, Restraints, and Extractions		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall modify its written policies to ensure that prisoners with mobility impairments, including those with prosthetic devices, receive reasonable accommodations with the respect to the following: (1) Pat searches and unclothed body searches; (2) Application of restraints devices, including Pro-Straint Chair; and (3) Cell extractions.	In Process	MJ and RCCC Compliance Lieutenants have continued their commitment to policy and procedure revisions during the first half of 2023. In February 2023 the Sheriff's Office formed a new Legal and Policy Bureau. A Lieutenant position was added to lead the unit. One of the core duties of this unit it to update all policies and procedures to the Lexipol system with a focus on policies and procedures related to the Mays Consent Decree.

		<p>Policy 715 – Aids to Impairment has been published</p> <p>Body Scanner Procedure 523 covers those with mobility disabilities/wheelchairs updated 12/12/2023</p> <p>Other related policies are forthcoming.</p>
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N. Transportation

Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall provide reasonable accommodations for prisoners with disabilities when they are in transit, including during transport to court or outside health care services.	Compliant	RCCC received an ADA Compliant Van in August 2021. Main Jail has ADA compliant vans.
2. Prescribed HCAs/ADs/DME, including canes, for prisoners with disabilities shall be available to the prisoner at all times during the transport process, including in temporary holding cells, consistent with procedures outlined in Part VII.	Compliant	Current practice.
3. The County shall use accessible vehicles to transport prisoners in wheelchairs and other prisoners whose disabilities necessitate special transportation, including by maintaining a sufficient number of accessible vehicles. (295)	Compliant	RCCC received an ADA compliant van in August of 2021. Main Jail has ADA compliant vans.
4. Prisoners with mobility impairments shall be provided assistance onto transport vehicles.	Compliant	Current Practice

O. Prisoners with Intellectual Disabilities

Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, develop and implement a comprehensive written policy and procedure regarding prisoners with an Intellectual Disability, including:	In Process	<p>MJ and RCCC Compliance Lieutenants have continued their commitment to policy and procedure revisions during the first half of 2023.</p> <p>In February 2023 the Sheriff's Office formed a new Legal and Policy Bureau. A Lieutenant position was added to lead the unit. One of the core duties of this unit it to update all policies and procedures to the Lexipol system with a focus on policies and procedures related to the Mays Consent Decree.</p>

1. a) Screening for Intellectual Disabilities;	Non-Compliant	Pending. Mental Health performs assessments and provides custody staff with Adaptive Support Plans for people with intellectual disabilities identifies communication needs necessary.
1. b) Identification of prisoners' adaptive support needs and adaptive functioning deficits; and	Non-Compliant	Pending Current practice, when MH identifies a person in need of an ASP they provide a copy of the physical form to staff assigned to their facility, to the Compliance unit for follow up and the information is also updated in ATIMS.
1. c) Monitoring, management, and accommodations for prisoners with Intellectual Disabilities.	Non-Compliant	Pending
2. A multidisciplinary team that includes appropriate health care staff will monitor and ensure appropriate care for prisoners with an Intellectual Disability. The multidisciplinary team will develop an individualized plan for each prisoner with an Intellectual Disability, which addresses: (1) safety, vulnerability, and victimization concerns, (2) adaptive support needs, (3) programming, housing, and accommodation needs. The multidisciplinary team's plan will be regularly reviewed and updated as needed.		See ACH Status Report
3. Prisoners with an Intellectual Disability assigned to a work/industry position will be provided additional supervision and training as necessary to help them meet the requirements of the assignment.	Non-Compliance	This will be contained in future policy.
P. ADA Training, Accountability, and Quality Assurance		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall ensure all custody, health care, facility maintenance, and other Jail staff receive ADA training appropriate to their position.	Partial-Compliance	A New ADA component has been added to the Adult Corrections Supplemental Core Course, but is awaiting approval. ADA training is in module 8.0. All staff assigned to corrections (sworn staff and records officers) were assigned consent decree training in September of 2021. as new hires come on they are assigned the training and must attest to the completion of the training.
a) The County shall provide to all staff appropriate training on	Partial-Compliance	This item is pending the approval and completion of the ADA policy. All

disability awareness, including the use and purpose of accommodations and modifications in accordance with the ADA.		policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team
b) The ADA training shall include: formalized lesson plans and in-classroom or virtual training for staff (including managers, supervisors, and rank-and-file staff) provided by certified or otherwise qualified ADA trainers.	Partial-Compliance	This item is pending the approval and completion of the ADA policy. All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team
2. ADA instructors shall have appropriate ADA training and subject matter expertise necessary to effectively provide ADA training to staff.	Partial-Compliance	This item is pending the approval and completion of the ADA policy. All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team.
3. The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, develop and implement written policies and procedures regarding monitoring, investigating, and tracking staff violations (or allegations of violations) of ADA requirements and Jail ADA policies.	Partial-Compliance	This item is pending the approval and completion of the ADA policy. All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team
4. The County shall develop an ADA accountability plan that will ensure quality assurance and establish staff accountability for egregious, serious, or repeated violations of the ADA and Jail ADA-related policies and procedures.	Partial-Compliance	This item is pending the approval and completion of the ADA policy. All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team Policy 724 Continuous Quality Improvement

Q. Accessibility Remedial Plan to Address Physical Plant Deficiencies

Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall, within 24 months from court approval of the Settlement and in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, develop and fully implement an Accessibility Remedial Plan to address Jail physical plant deficiencies that result in access barriers for prisoners with disabilities. In the interim, the Sheriff's Office shall house prisoners with disabilities in the most integrated and appropriate housing possible, providing reasonable accommodations and assistance where necessary to ensure appropriate accessibility to Jail programs,	Partial-Compliance	At RCCC and MJ, inmates with disabilities are housed according to their security classification and granted access to programs according to their classification. Reasonable accommodations are made where necessary to ensure special needs are met.

services, and activities.		
2. The Accessibility Remedial Plan shall ensure the following:		
a) Adequate provision of accessible cells and housing areas with required maneuvering clearances and accessible toilet fixtures, sanitary facilities, showers, dining/dayroom seating, and recreation/yard areas.	Non-Compliant	On December 8, 2022 the Sacramento Board of Supervisors approved to build a Jail Intake and health Services Facility as well as make ADA facility improvement to the current Jail. While the IHSF has been put on hold, current plans are still in place for renovating the existing Main Jail infrastructure for accessibility needs. Interim plans are being explored to address issues while waiting for these facility improvements.
b) Accessible paths of travel that are compliant with the ADA.	Non-Compliant	On December 8, 2022 the Sacramento Board of Supervisors approved to build a Jail Intake and health Services Facility as well as make ADA facility improvement to the current Jail. While the IHSF has been put on hold, current plans are still in place for renovating the existing Main Jail infrastructure for accessibility needs. Interim plans are being explored to address issues while waiting for these facility improvements.
c) Equal and adequate access for all prisoners with disabilities to Family and Attorney Visiting areas in reasonable proximity to their housing location.	Partial-Compliant	At RCCC, legal visitation areas provide equal and adequate access for inmates with disabilities. RCCC social visitation areas provide inmates with disabilities the same opportunity to visit with their family. Social and Attorney visits continue to overwhelm the current Main Jail as there is only one Attorney Visit booth, and 2 Social Visit booths without stairs (located on the 2-East housing unit). Any individual who cannot climb stairs is required to use the visiting area on 2-East.
IV. MENTAL HEALTH CARE		
A. Policies and Procedures		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update

<p>1. The County shall establish policies and procedures that are consistent with the provisions of this Remedial Plan and include the following:</p>		
<p>1. a) – g)</p>		<p>See ACH Status Report</p>
<p>1. h) Training for all staff members who are working with inmates with mental illness in all aspects of their respective duty assignments.</p>	<p>In Process</p>	<p>Lexipol training for custody deputies. 24-hour CIT training for IOP/JBCT deputies, 8-hour CIT for all other deputies.</p> <p>All new employees will receive 4-hours of in-person suicide prevention training developed in collaboration with the suicide prevention SME. Current employees will receive a 2-hour refresher course annually. This was implemented in May 2021.</p>
<p>2. The County’s policies and procedures shall be revised, as necessary, to reflect all of the remedial measures described in this Remedial Plan.</p>	<p>In Process</p>	<p>MJ and RCCC Compliance Lieutenants have continued their commitment to policy and procedure revisions during the first half of 2023.</p> <p>In February 2023 the Sheriff’s Office formed a new Legal and Policy Bureau. A Lieutenant position was added to lead the unit. One of the core duties of this unit it to update all policies and procedures to the Lexipol system with a focus on policies and procedures related to the Mays Consent Decree.</p>
<p>3. The County shall continue to operate its acute inpatient program and its Outpatient Psychiatric Pod (OPP) program. The County shall establish a new Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP) for inmates who require a higher level of outpatient psychiatric care than what is provided in the OPP program.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>Main Jail IOP has 20 male and 23 female beds. RCCC IOP and HS IOP has 48 male beds. RCCC has 32 male beds for JBCT and 32 males for EASE. We have 13 combined of EASE for female.</p> <p>Expansion plans for IOP at the Main Jail are in process for as many as 20 male and 10 female beds.</p>
<p>4. The County shall operate its non-acute mental health programs – IOP, OPP, and General Population-Mental Health – consistent with the JPS Psychiatric Services overview, attached as Exhibit A-2.</p>		<p>See ACH Status Report</p>
<p>B. Organizational Structure</p>		
<p>Provision Requirement</p>	<p>Status</p>	<p>Sheriff’s Office Update</p>

1. The County shall develop and implement a comprehensive organizational chart that includes the Sheriff's Department ("Department"), Correctional Health Services ("CHS"), Jail Psychiatric Services ("JPS"), Chief Administrative Officer, Medical Director of the JPS Program, and any other mental health staff, and clearly defines the scope of services, chains of authority, performance expectations, and consequences for deficiencies in the delivery of mental health care services.	Compliant	The Sheriff's Organizational chart exists.
2. and 3.		See ACH Status Report
C. Patient Privacy		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. All clinical interactions shall be private and confidential absent a specific, current risk that necessitates the presence of custody staff. In making such determination, custody and clinical staff shall confer and review individual case factors, including the patient's current behavior and functioning and any other security concerns necessary to ensure the safety of medical staff. Such determinations shall not be based on housing placement or custodial classification.	Partial-Compliance	<p>Main Jail has secluded privacy interview room created on first floor for booking related clinical interactions. Current use of classrooms with the door shut or confidential visit booths for housing unit clinical interactions. Additional booths are in the planning stages and will consist of plexiglass enclosures with doors situated in the indoor rec area of each housing unit. One booth has been ordered to construct on 3-West as a proof of concept.</p> <p>All RCCC facilities have ACMH offices available for interviews. These areas are private and are not audio recorded. The doors to these offices were changed so they can be closed and the officer can see what is going on inside through windows. Officers standby as needed based on the inmate's classification/behavior while offer the highest amount of privacy possible.</p>
1. a) For any determination that a clinical interaction with a patient requires the presence of custody staff, staff shall document the specific reasons for the determination. Such decisions shall be reviewed through the Quality Assurance process.	Compliant	ACMH and both Compliance Lieutenants have a standing monthly meeting to discuss confidentiality issues and review for QA/QI.
1. b) If the presence of custody staff is determined to be necessary to ensure the safety of medical staff for any clinical counter, steps shall be taken to ensure auditory privacy of the encounter.	Compliant	Custody and ACMH staff are reminded specific documented security concerns must exist for cell front contacts otherwise MH contacts must occur inside the classroom or a confidential visit booth. The Main Jail has purchased one confidential interview booth to be constructed on 3-West as a proof of concept. Construction to start tentatively by the end of July

		<p>2023.</p> <p>The goal is to have 2 booths for every indoor rec area at the Main Jail. Some booths will have a security desk/chair.</p> <p>SSO has purchased security desk/chair (same used at Santa Clara SO), which allows leg shackles to be secured. This allows clinicians to safely speak to higher security inmates in privacy without custody staff standing nearby.</p>
1. c) The County's patient privacy policies, as described in this section, shall apply to contacts between inmates and Triage Navigator Program staff and/or other staff that provide mental health-related services on site at the Jail.		
2. Jail policies that mandate custody staff to be present for any mental health treatment in such a way that disrupts confidentiality shall be revised to reflect the individualized process set forth above. Custody and mental health staff shall be trained accordingly	Compliant	No policies exist mandating custody to be present with mental health treatment.
3. It shall be the policy of the County that mental health clinicians shall not conduct their patient contacts at cell front except pursuant to documented refusals or specific, documented security concerns that warrant cell front contacts.	Compliant	<p>Case Management Post Order covers this provision. At RCCC MH patients are seen in the attorney booth or one of the offices where the doors have been changed so they can be closed and the officers can still see what is taking place inside.</p> <p>ACMH and the Compliance Lieutenant meet regularly to discuss MH assessments and confidentiality. Custody and ACMH staff are reminded specific documented security concerns must exist for cell front contacts otherwise MH contacts must occur inside the classroom or a confidential visit booth.</p> <p>The Main Jail has purchased one confidential interview booth to be constructed on 3-West as a proof of concept. Construction to start tentatively by the end of July 2023.</p>
4. For each clinical contact, mental health staff shall document whether the encounter was confidential, including whether it took place at cell front. If the contact occurred at cell front or otherwise was non-confidential, the reasons shall be clearly documented in the individual patient record and for purposes of Quality Assurance		See ACH Status Report

review procedures		
5. A process shall exist for sick call slips or other mental health treatment-related requests to be collected without the involvement of custody staff.		See ACH Status Report
D. Clinical Practices (See ACH Status Report)		
E. Medication Administration and Monitoring		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. through 4. And 7.		See ACH Status Report
5. The County shall provide sufficient nursing and custody staffing to ensure timely delivery and administration of medication.	Compliant	Specialty programs like APU, IOP and SITHU have additional custody staff available to help with medication administration. Since April 2023 the Main Jail has been staffing medical escorts allowing medical staff better access to patients. While the majority of the escorts are for doctor and nurse sick-call, these escorts allow floor custody staff more time for other responsibilities such as medication administration. RCCC has at least three dedicated medical escorts. Deputies assigned to facilities are also available.
6. Medication adherence checks that serve a clinical function shall be conducted by nursing staff, not custody staff. Custody staff shall conduct mouth checks when necessary to ensure institutional safety and security.	Compliant	Current practice. ACH, ACMH and Compliance Lieutenants meet regularly to discuss and rectify any issues related to medication distribution and medication diversion by inmates as well as ensure staff is conducting required checks.
F. Placement, Conditions, Privileges, and Programming		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. Placement:		
1. a) It shall be the policy of the County to place and treat all prisoners on the mental health caseload in the least restrictive setting appropriate to their needs.	Compliant	Current practice.

1. b) Placement in and discharge from Designated Mental Health Units shall be determined by qualified mental health professionals, with consultation with custody staff as appropriate	Compliant	Current practice.
1. c) Absent emergency circumstances, the County shall obtain the assent of qualified mental health professionals before transferring prisoners with SMI into or out of Designated Mental Health Units.	Compliant	Current practice.
1. d) It shall be the policy of the County to place prisoners with SMI in appropriate settings that ensure provision of mental health services, patient safety, and the facilitation of appropriate programs, activities, and out-of-cell time. Co-housing with other populations shall be avoided to the extent that such a practice prevents or hinders any of the above.	Compliant	Current practice.
1. e)		See ACH Status Report
2. Programming and Privileges		
2. a) All Designated Mental Health Units shall offer a minimum of 7 hours of unstructured out-of-cell time per week and 10 hours of structured out-of-cell time per week for each prisoner. While out-of-cell hours per prisoner may vary from day to day, each prisoner will be offered some amount of out-of-cell time every day of the week. All treatment and out-of-cell time shall be documented for each prisoner, and reviewed as part of Quality Assurance procedures.	Compliant	Designated MH Units (IOP, JBCT) structured out of cell time is determined by program coordinators (ACMH, UC Davis) as part of their treatment. Inmates in these programs generally have more than seven hours of unstructured out of cell time and more than ten hours of structured time per week. Both Main Jail and RCCC Compliance monitor out-of-cell times.
2. b) The County shall ensure that prisoners on the mental health caseload have access and opportunity to participate in jail programming, work opportunities, and education programs, consistent with individual clinical input.	Compliant	Current practice. Work assignments will be based on the patient's ability to safely perform those functions given the appropriate level of supervision.
2. c) The County shall develop and implement, in the 2P inpatient unit and the IOP unit, a program for progressive privileges (including time out of cell, property allowances, etc.) for patients as they demonstrate behavioral progress. A patient's level of privileges and restrictions shall be based on both clinical and custody input regarding current individual needs. The County shall ensure a process to review custody classification factors when necessary, so that placement, privileges, and restrictions match current individual circumstances and needs.	Compliant	Current practice.

2. d) Individuals on a mental health caseload shall receive, at minimum, privileges consistent with their classification levels, absent specific, documented factors which necessitate the withholding of such privileges. Clinical staff shall be informed of the withholding of privileges and the reasons for the withdrawal shall be documented and regularly reviewed by clinical and custody staff. The restoration of privileges shall occur at the earliest time appropriate based on individual factors.	Compliant	Current practice. Work assignments will be based on the patient's ability to safely perform those functions given the appropriate level of supervision.
2. e) Where a prisoner in a Designated Mental Health Unit is subject to any restrictions of property, privileges, or out-of-cell time, the mental health treatment provider and Multi-Disciplinary Treatment Team will, on a weekly basis, assess and discuss with the prisoner progress and compliance with the prisoner's individual case plan. This process will include clinical contact in a private, face-to-face, out-of-cell setting. The Multi-Disciplinary Treatment Team will provide input to classification staff regarding the prisoner's mental health and appropriateness for removal of imposed restrictions. Classification staff will follow the recommendation of the Multi-Disciplinary Treatment Team to remove restrictions unless there is a clear, documented security reason to maintain the restriction.	Compliant	Current practice. On an operational level, the IOP and Acute Unit custody staff work with ACMH on property and privileges. The IOP Sergeant monitors compliance.
3. Conditions:		
3. a) Staff shall provide prisoners in Designated Mental Health Units with the opportunity to maintain cell cleanliness and the opportunity to meet their hygiene needs. Custody and clinical staff shall provide assistance to prisoners on these matters, as appropriate to individual patient needs	Compliant	Current Practice
3. b) The County shall ensure uniformity of practice with respect to cell searches, such that searches are not done for punitive or harassment reasons. The County shall monitor whether cell search practices may be serving as a disincentive for prisoners in Designated Mental Health Units to leave their cells for treatment or other out-of-cell activities, and shall take steps to address the issue as appropriate.	Compliant	Cell searches are done randomly on a revolving basis. They are not done for punitive or harassment reasons. They are done to ensure the inmates do not have any contraband or weapons that can harm themselves, ACMH staff or SSO staff.
4. Bed planning:		

4. a) The County shall provide a sufficient number of beds in Designated Mental Health Unit, at all necessary levels of clinical care and levels of security, to meet the needs of the population of prisoners with SMI.	Partial-Compliance	<p>IOP units have been created for male and female patients, with the expansion of Enhanced Treatment pods. Female IOP will be at the Main Jail. RCCC expanded the male IOP program and added 24 new beds in the CBF 500 pod. RCCC added 24 beds for EASE.</p> <p>Often the need for mental health beds is greater than the structural capacity of the physical facilities. December 8, 2022 the County BOS approved a new Intake and Health Services Facility (IHSF) which will be planned with sufficient bed space for the mental health population. While the plans for IHSF are on hold, interim plans are being worked on which would increase APU beds by as many as 20 and IOP beds by as many as 30.</p>
4. b) The County shall conduct a bed needs assessment, to be updated as appropriate, in order to determine demand for each category of Designated Mental Health Unit beds and shall ensure timely access to all levels of mental health care, consistent with individual treatment needs		See ACH Status Report
4. c) The County shall establish mental health programming for women that ensures timely access to all levels of care and is equivalent to the range of services offered to men.	Compliant	Women's IOP and OPP unit established at Main Jail. Main Jail has 23 female IOP beds. Acute Psychiatric services are offered to women. RCCC has 13 female beds for JBCT and EASE.
5. General Exclusion of Prisoners with Serious Mental Illness from Segregation		
5. a) Prisoners with Serious Mental Illness will not be housed in Segregation units, except in rare cases where the prisoner presents an immediate danger or significant disruption to the therapeutic setting, and there is no reasonable alternative, in which cases the provisions of Section VIII.D of the Segregation/Restrictive Housing Remedial Plan shall apply.	Compliant	<p>Current Practice. ACMH is using an alternative treatment program in IOP to take Administrative Segregation inmates. Fewer and fewer Administrative Segregation inmates are on the SMI caseload.</p> <p>Main Jail has implemented female high security IOP with 8 additional beds 3W 100 pod. RCCC added male high security IOP with 24 additional beds. Main Jail has also implemented a male OPP single cell housing unit in the 3E 100 Pod. Many of these inmates were previously classified as ADSEG on 8 West.</p>
5. b) Where prisoners with a mental health condition meeting criteria for placement in a Designated Mental Health Unit are assessed a	Compliant	<p>Current practice.</p> <p>All discipline hearings on designated mental health housing areas (OPP,</p>

Disciplinary Segregation term, they will serve the term in a Designated Mental Health Unit, except in rare cases where the prisoner presents an immediate danger or significant disruption to the therapeutic setting, and shall receive structured out-of-cell time and programming as determined by the Multi-Disciplinary Treatment Team.		IOP, APU) are conducted by the IOP Sergeant. Before implementing discipline, the IOP Sergeant confers with an ACMH staff member about the proposed discipline.
6. Access to Care		
6. a) The County shall designate and make available custody escorts for mental health staff in order to facilitate timely completion of appointments and any other clinical contacts or treatment-related events.	Complaint	IOP deputies have been structured to oversee MH treatment on the entire third floor. The JBCT/IOP and EASE programs at RCCC have 16 officers and 1 sergeant assigned to them. These officers are responsible for ensuring the inmates receive what they need from a custody perspective. They act as escorts for the mental health staff. If the inmates need to be taken to an appointment off-site, that is facilitated by our medical escort team. Same is true for Main Jail although we have 20 deputies and a sergeant assigned to IOP.
6. b) The County shall ensure sufficient and suitable treatment and office space for mental health care services, including the Triage Navigator Program and other mental health-related services provided on site at the Jail.	Compliant	At RCCC, office space for MH care providers and treatment is available and constantly being re-evaluated based on needs and advisement of ACMH administrators. At MJ we work collaboratively with ACMH when space needs arise
6. c) Locations shall be arranged in advance for all scheduled clinical encounters.	Compliant	Current practice.
6. d) The County shall track and document all completed, delayed, and canceled mental health appointments, including reasons for delays and cancelations. Such documentation shall be reviewed as part of the Quality Assurance process		See ACH Status Update
6. e) Referrals and triage: i. The County shall maintain a staff referral process (custody and medical) and a kite system for prisoners to request mental health services. Referrals by staff or prisoners must be triaged within 24 hours.	Compliant	SSO staff make ACMH referrals based on personal observations or at the request of the inmate; Inmates may also request MH services via a Health Services Request (HSR). See ACH Status Report for their practices and policies regarding response time.
6. Access to Care e) ii.		See ACH Status Update

G. Medico-Legal Practices (See ACH Status Report)		
H. Clinical Restraints and Seclusion (See ACH Status Report)		
I. Training		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall develop and implement, in collaboration with Plaintiffs' counsel, training curricula and schedules in accordance with the following:		
1. a) All jail custody staff shall receive formal training in mental health, which shall encompass mental health policies, critical incident response, crisis intervention techniques, recognizing different types of mental illness, interacting with prisoners with mental illness, appropriate referral practices, suicide and self-harm detection and preventions, relevant bias and cultural competency issues, and confidentiality standards. Training shall be received every two years, at minimum.	Compliant	The Academy now offers graduates the 24-hour CIT class, as well as an additional 20 hours of behavioral health as part of their final training before being employed. These classes cover many of the topics listed. Additionally, our staff will be assigned various classes through Lexipol, which they must complete online. Many of these topics are covered through these classes as well. All new employees receive 4-hours of in-person suicide prevention training developed in collaboration with the suicide prevention SME. Current employees will receive a 2-hour refresher course annually. This was implemented in May 2021.
1. b) Custody staff working in Designated Mental Health Units shall receive additional training, including additional information on mental illness, special medico-legal considerations, de-escalation techniques, working with individuals with mental health needs, relevant bias and cultural competency issues, and the jail's mental health treatment programs.	Compliant	IOP and JBCT deputies are given 24 hours of additional CIT training. Several deputies from the Main Jail and RCCC have received a 2-hour negotiations class specific to a custody setting.
1. c) Mental health staff shall receive training on the correctional mental health system, correctional mental health policies, suicide assessment and intervention, relevant bias and cultural competency issues, and treatment modalities to be offered in the jails.		See ACH Status Report
V. DISCIPLINARY MEASURES AND USE OF FORCE FOR PRISONERS WITH MENTAL HEALTH OR INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES		

A. Role of Mental Health Staff in Disciplinary Process		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County's policies and procedures shall require meaningful consideration of the relationship of a prisoner's behavior to any mental health or intellectual disability, the efficacy of disciplinary measures versus alternative interventions, and the impact of disciplinary measures on the health and wellbeing of prisoners with disabilities.	Compliant	<p>All policies related to the Consent Decree are currently being drafted by the Lexipol project team. A Chief Disciplinary Hearing Officer Post Order has been approved by plaintiff's counsel. Each facility has appointed a Chief Disciplinary Hearing Officer, who works collaboratively with ACMH (formerly JPS) to identify mental health or intellectual disability needs and modify discipline to ensure health, well-being, and fairness.</p> <p>All discipline hearings on designated mental health housing areas (OPP, IOP, APU) are conducted by the IOP Sergeant. Before implementing discipline, the IOP Sergeant confers with an ACMH staff member about the proposed discipline.</p>
2. Prisoners who are alleged to have committed a rules violation shall be reviewed by a qualified mental health professional if any of the following apply:		
2. a) Prisoner is housed in any Designated Mental Health Unit;	Compliant	<p>JBCT, IOP, and EASE mental health workers are immediately notified of disciplinary write-ups that occur and they work closely with custodial staff to determine the best course of action.</p> <p>All discipline hearings on designated mental health housing areas (OPP, IOP, APU) are conducted by the IOP Sergeant. Before implementing discipline, the IOP Sergeant confers with an ACMH staff member about the proposed discipline.</p>
2. b) Jail staff have reason to believe the prisoner's behavior was unusual, uncharacteristic, or a possible manifestation of mental illness;	Compliant	Each facility has appointed a Chief Disciplinary Hearing Officer, who works collaboratively with ACMH to identify mental health or intellectual disability needs and modify discipline to ensure health, well-being, and fairness.
2. c) Prisoner is on the mental health caseload and may lose good time credit as a consequence of the disciplinary infraction with which he or she is charged.	Compliant	All discipline hearings on designated mental health housing areas (OPP, IOP, APU) are conducted by the IOP Sergeant. Before implementing discipline, the IOP Sergeant confers with an ACMH staff member about the

		proposed discipline.
3. a) through c)		See ACH Status Report
B. Consideration of Mental Health Input and Other Disability Information in Disciplinary Process		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall designate one Chief Disciplinary Hearing Officer for each jail facility, who shall be responsible for ensuring consistency in disciplinary practices and procedures.	Compliant	Current practice.
2. The Disciplinary Hearing Officer shall ensure that prisoners are not disciplined for conduct that is related to their mental health or intellectual disability.	Compliant	Current practice.
3. The Disciplinary Hearing Officer shall consider the qualified mental health professional's findings and any other available disability information when deciding what, if any, disciplinary action should be imposed.	Compliant	Current practice.
4. The Disciplinary Hearing Officer shall consider the qualified mental health professional's input on minimizing the deleterious effect of disciplinary measures on the prisoner in view of his or her mental health or adaptive support needs.	Compliant	Current practice.
5. If the Disciplinary Hearing Officer does not follow the mental health staff's input regarding whether the behavior was related to symptoms of mental illness or intellectual disability, whether any mitigating factors should be considered, and whether certain sanctions should be avoided, the Disciplinary Hearing Officer shall explain in writing why it was not followed.	Compliant	Current practice.
6. Prisoners will not be subjected to discipline which prevents the delivery of mental health treatment or adaptive support needs, unless necessary for institutional safety.	Compliant	Current practice.
7. Prisoners shall not be subject to discipline for refusing treatment or medications, or for engaging in self-injurious behavior or threats of self-injurious behavior.	Compliant	Inmates with suicidal ideations or self-injurious tendencies are closely evaluation by ACMH staff; Documentation of their behavior is made however, no disciplinary actions are taken against the inmate. Inmates may refuse medications at any time unless the administration of medication is mandated by the court through a valid order. ACMH is heavily involved in

		this process.
C. Accommodations for Prisoners with Mental Health or Intellectual Disabilities During the Disciplinary Process		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall provide reasonable accommodations during the hearing process for prisoners with mental health or intellectual disabilities.	Compliant	Current practice.
2. The County shall take reasonable steps to ensure the provision of effective communication and necessary assistance to prisoners with disabilities at all stages of the disciplinary process	Partial-Compliance	SSO Effective Communication policy and procedure documents are in draft form. Although there is currently no policy, a Post Order has been approved. Each facility has appointed a Chief Disciplinary Hearing Officer, who works collaboratively with ACMH (formerly JPS) to identify mental health or intellectual disability needs and modify discipline to ensure health, well-being, and fairness.
D. Use of Force for Prisoners with Mental Health or Intellectual Disabilities		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County's Correctional Services Operations Orders shall include language that ensures meaningful consideration of whether a prisoner's behavior is a manifestation of mental health or intellectual disability.	Partial Compliance	In February 2023 the Sheriff's Office formed a new Legal and Policy Bureau. A Lieutenant position was added to lead the unit. One of the core duties of this unit it to update all policies and procedures to the Lexipol system with a focus on policies and procedures related to the Mays Consent Decree. On 4/11/2023 a post order was created outlining the response to these situations. "Planned use of force, inmates with mental health issues."
2. For prisoners with a known mental health or intellectual disability, and absent an imminent threat to safety, staff shall employ de-escalation methods that take into account the individual's mental health or adaptive support needs.	Compliant	At the Main Jail, ACMH is consulted and given the opportunity to de-escalate during all preplanned use of force with inmates under MH care. The is the same practice at RCCC when ACMH is available. At the MJ, inmates with intellectual disabilities are housed on the IOP floor where additional trained custody staff are available.

		Several members from both facilities have received a 2-hour negotiations class specific to a custody setting which can help facilitate de-escalation.
3. The County's Correctional Services Use of Force policies shall include a definition and a protocol for a planned Use of Force that provides appropriate guidance for a planned Use of Force that involves a prisoner with mental health or intellectual disability.	Compliant	April 2023 SSO published a POST Order on Planned Use of Force and training was conducted by ACMH for CERT members and Sergeants. The POST Order will be superseded by the Lexipol Policy/Procedure system in the future.
4. Prior to any planned Use of Force, such as a cell extraction, against a prisoner with mental health or intellectual disabilities, there will be a "cooling down period," consistent with safety and security needs. This period includes a structured attempt by mental health staff (and other staff if appropriate), to deescalate the situation and to reach a resolution without Use of Force. Such efforts, including the use of adaptive supports, will be documented in writing. Medical and/or mental health staff should be consulted if the purpose of the cell extraction is related to the delivery of treatment.	Compliant	This is the current practice with all planned use of force incidents involving inmates in specialized units. The officers assigned to MH units work closely with ACMH staff when incidents requiring a planned use of force arise. After consultation with ACMH staff and ample opportunities for consultation and intervention by ACMH. April 2023 SSO published a POST Order on Planned Use of Force and training was conducted by ACMH for CERT members and Sergeants.
5. The County shall require video documentation for any planned Use of Force, absent exigent circumstances. Jail staff shall endeavor to record the specific actions, behavior, or threats leading to the need for Use of Force, as well as efforts to resolve the situation without Use of Force.	Compliant	Current practice.
6. The County shall ensure the completion of supervisory review of Use of Force incidents, including video (for any planned Use of Force), interviews, and written incident documentation, in order to ensure appropriateness of Use of Force practices including de-escalation efforts. The County shall take corrective action when necessary.	Compliant	Current practice
7. The County shall review and amend as appropriate its policies on Use of Force, including its policies on Custody Emergency Response Team (CERT) and Cell Extraction Procedures.	In-Process	In February 2023 the Sheriff's Office formed a new Legal and Policy Bureau. A Lieutenant position was added to lead the unit. One of the core duties of this unit it to update all policies and procedures to the Lexipol system with a focus on policies and procedures related to the Mays Consent Decree. April 2023 SSO published a POST Order on Planned Use of Force and

		training was conducted by ACMH for CERT members and Sergeants.
E. Training and Quality Assurance		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. All custody staff, and mental health staff, shall be trained on the policies and procedures outlined herein that are relevant to their job and classification requirements. Custody staff will receive periodic training on identifying behaviors that may be manifestations of mental illness and other situations warranting a referral to mental health staff, including for a Rules Violation Mental Health Review or other mental health assessment	Compliant	All staff assigned to corrections (sworn staff and records officers) have received consent decree training since September of 2021. As new hires come on they are assigned the training and must attest to the completion of the training. Department in service training required on a 2-year cycle often includes mental health topics. Custody specific mental health training topics are received through initial housing unit and booking training with new employees.
2. All custody staff shall be trained on the identification of symptoms of mental illness, the provision of adaptive supports, and the use of de-escalation methods appropriate for prisoners with mental health or intellectual disabilities.	Partial-Compliant	Many aspects of this training are already covered during in-service and pre-service training. A comprehensive review of current training offerings, compared against the needs of this element is under review. We are also working with ACMH to determine how to fully address this. Every year, sworn and professional staff receive a 2 hour course provided by mental health.
3. The County shall track the outcomes of all disciplinary hearings for prisoners who are on the mental health caseload or who have intellectual disabilities, including whether the recommendation of the mental health professional was followed.	Compliant	Tracked by the CDHO
4. The County shall track all Uses of Force (planned and reactive) involving prisoners who are on the mental health caseload or who have intellectual disabilities, including the number of Uses of Force and the number of cell extractions by facility	Compliant	Current Practice. All use of force is reviewed and tracked up to and including by the Division Commander or designee. An ATIMS alert flag is added for those with mental health or intellectual disabilities.
5. The County shall implement a continuous quality assurance/quality improvement plan to periodically audit disciplinary and Use of Force practices as they apply to prisoners who are on the mental health caseload or who have intellectual disabilities.	Compliant	Current use of Blue-Team software to track and monitor use of force incidents, while predicting possible problematic trends in officer behavior.

VI. MEDICAL CARE		
A. Staffing		
B. Intake		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. All prisoners who are to be housed shall be screened on arrival in custody by Registered Nurses (RNs). RN screening shall take place prior to placement in jail housing.		Current practice. All incoming inmates are medically cleared prior to being booked into the facility.
2. Health care intake screening shall take place in a setting that ensures confidentiality of communications between nurses and individual patients. Custody staff may maintain visual supervision but may not be close enough to overhear communication, unless security concerns based on an individualized determination of risk that includes a consideration of requests by the health care staff require that custody staff be closer at hand. There shall be visual and auditory privacy from other prisoners.		<p>Current Practice at RCCC the nurses conduct the screening process in open cubicles. This screening area was recently created. Deputies standby near the intake interview but off to the side.</p> <p>At the Main Jail, the nurses conduct the screening process in open cubicles. This screening area was recently remodeled placing the nurse and inmate deeper into the cubical. While this provides for auditory confidentiality from other arrested persons, this does not provide full confidentiality from custody staff.</p> <p>On December 8, 2022 the Sacramento Board of Supervisors approved to build a Jail Intake and health Services Facility as well as make ADA facility improvement to the current Jail. The Intake portion of the new building will be fully compliant with ADA and HIPPA, including confidentiality between nurses and individual patients. While the IHSF is on hold, interim solutions are being explored included in the booking area.</p>
3. The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs, revise the contents of its intake screening, medical intake screening, and special needs documentation to reflect community standards and ensure proper identification of medical and disability related needs.		In consultation with ACH, several forms have been amended to reflect this area.
C. Access to Care		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall ensure that Health Services Requests (HSRs) are readily available to all prisoners, including those in segregation housing, from nurses and custody officers.	Compliant	Current practice. HSRs are available at medical appointments, pill call, and in housing units.

<p>2. The County shall provide patients with a mechanism for submitting HSRs that does not require them to share confidential health information with custody staff. The County shall install lockboxes or other secure physical or electronic mechanism for the submission of HSRs (as well as health care grievances) in every housing unit. Designated health care staff shall collect (if submitted physically) or review (if submitted electronically) HSRs at least two times per day in order to ensure that CHS receives critical health information in a timely manner. Designated health care staff shall also collect HSRs during pill call and shall go door to door in all restricted housing units at least once a day to collect HSRs. HSRs and health care grievances will be promptly date- and time-stamped. The County may implement an accessible electronic solution for secure and confidential submission of HSRs and health care grievances.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>HSRs are turned in directly to nursing staff during pill call twice a day. Lock boxes for Medical Grievances and HSR's have been in installed in all housing units at RCCC and Main Jail. Medical staff collects and tracks health care grievances and HSR's. The lock boxes are checked twice a day.</p>
<p>4. The County shall designate and make available custody escorts for medical staff in order to facilitate timely and confidential clinical contacts or treatment-related events.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>Since April 2023 the Main Jail has been staffing medical escorts allowing medical staff better access to patients. RCCC has continually staffed at least three dedicated medical escorts for this update period.</p> <p>Medical Escorts are independent if shift staffing and are dedicated to assisting medical staff for patient care. ACH determines their assignment depending on daily needs.</p>

D. Chronic care

F. Medication administration and monitoring

G. Clinical space and medical placements

Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
<p>1. The County shall provide adequate clinical space in every facility to support clinical operations while also securing appropriate privacy for patients. Adequate clinical space includes visual and auditory privacy from prisoners and auditory privacy from staff, the space needed reasonably to perform clinical functions as well as an examination table, sink, proper lighting, proper equipment, and access to health care records.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>RCCC- All medical and psychiatric offices are confidential and free of recording. There are no cameras in medical offices to ensure privacy for inmates. All medical offices have equipment determined to be necessary by ACH. RCCC MHU Cells are recorded. No Audio</p> <p>All exam rooms at Main Jail are visually and auditorily confidential.</p>
<p>2. The County shall ensure that any negative pressure isolation rooms meet community standards, including an antechamber to</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>At Main Jail our negative pressure rooms are checked daily by DGS to ensure the requested standards are met.</p>

ensure that the room remains airtight, appropriate pressure gauges, and regular documented checks of the pressure gauges.		On December 8, 2022 the Sacramento Board of Supervisors approved to build a Jail Intake and Health Services Facility as well as make ADA facility improvement to the current Jail.
3. The County shall ensure that absent individualized, documented safety and security concerns, patients in acute medical or quarantine placements shall be allowed property and privileges equivalent to what they would receive in general population based on their classification levels.	Compliant	All inmates in medical or quarantine placements are allowed to keep personal property with them as well as participate in programs that do not interfere with safety and security concerns.
4. The County shall ensure that patients in medical placements are not forced to sleep on the floor, including by providing beds with rails or other features appropriate for patients' clinical needs and any risk of falling.	Compliant	RCCC and Main Jail- No inmate is forced to sleep on the floor. Beds with rails are available in the Medical Housing Unit.
5. The County shall not discriminate against patients in medical placements solely because of their need for C-Pap machines, but instead shall provide access to programs and services in accordance with their classification level, as set forth in the ADA Remedial Plan.	Partial-Compliance	Housing units in RCCC currently do not have outlets near any sleeping areas, except MHU. Inmates housed in the Medical Housing Unit are able to participate in programs and services consistent with others in their classification. At MJ inmates who require C-Pap machines are housed on 2E. They have equal access to programs and services in accordance to their classification level.

H. Patient privacy

Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall develop and implement policies and procedures to ensure that appropriate confidentiality is maintained for health care services. The policies shall ensure confidentiality for clinical encounters, including health care intake screening, pill call, nursing and provider sick call, specialty appointments, and mental health treatment. The policies shall also ensure confidentiality for written health care documents, such as health care needs requests and grievances raising medical care or mental health care concerns, which shall not be collected by custody staff.	In Process	Clinical encounters are offered in a private and confidential setting. Deputies stand near when necessary for safety, while still offering privacy. All written health care correspondence is handled directly by Medical staff, including medical grievances.
2. The County shall provide adequate clinical space in each jail to support clinical operations while also securing appropriate privacy for patients, including visual and auditory privacy from prisoners and auditory privacy from staff.	Partial-Compliance	RCCC- The intake medical trailer is equipped with video recording for staff safety, but does not have any audio. All medical and psychiatric offices are confidential and free of recording. There are no cameras in medical offices to ensure privacy for inmates. Medical offices on floors have video, but no audio, for nurse's safety.

		<p>MJ - Medical offices floors 3-8 are located in the elevator salle port away from the general floor area to provide privacy. Medical offices on floors have video, but no audio, for nurse's safety.</p> <p>None the less, real structural space issues exist at both facilities. Neither has enough confidential treatment space to become fully compliant.</p>	
<p>3. All clinical interactions shall be private and confidential absent a specific, current risk that necessitates the presence of custody staff. In making such determination, custody and clinical staff shall confer and review individual case factors, including the patient's current behavior and functioning and any other security concerns necessary to ensure the safety of medical staff. Such determinations shall not be based on housing placement or custodial classification. The issuance of pills does not constitute a clinical interaction.</p>	Partial-Compliance	<p>Efforts are made to ensure medical and psychiatric visits are done in a private and confidential setting. Officers standby when necessary for safety, while still offering privacy to the inmate.</p> <p>None the less, real structural space issues exist at both facilities. Neither has enough confidential treatment space to become fully compliant.</p>	
<p>b) If the presence of a correctional officer is determined to be necessary to ensure the safety of staff for any clinical counter, steps shall be taken to ensure auditory privacy of the encounter.</p>	Compliant	<p>Deputies stand at a distance that offers their ability to intervene if necessary, while offering auditory privacy.</p> <p>Current practice. Deputies stand at a distance that offers their ability to intervene if necessary, while offering auditory privacy.</p>	
<p>4. Jail policies that mandate custody staff to be present for any medical treatment in such a way that disrupts confidentiality shall be revised to reflect the individualized process set forth above. Custody and medical staff shall be trained accordingly.</p>	Compliant	No policies exist mandating deputies be present during medical treatment.	
I. Health care records			
J. Utilization management			
K. Sanitation		RCCC has a post order related to Facility Sanitation in general	
L. Reproductive and pregnancy-related Care		RCCC has announcements posted on SLF facility	
M. Transgender and gender nonconforming health care			
	Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
c) Access to gender-affirming clothing	Compliant		Current practice, outlined in TGNU order. All inmates shall be issued clothing consistent with their preferred gender identity and/or expression, regardless of their housing location.

d) Access to gender-affirming commissary items, make-up, and other property items	Compliant	Current practice, outlined in TGNi order. Per IWF, all inmates can purchase gender affirming items available on commissary.
N. Detoxification protocols		
O. Nursing protocols		
P. Reviews of in-custody deaths		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. Preliminary reviews of in-custody deaths shall take place within 30 days of the death and shall include a written report of the circumstances and events leading to the death, with the goal to identify and remedy preventable causes of death and any other potentially systematic problems.	Compliant	Current practice. In-CUSTODY Death Reviews shall happen as soon as possible, within 30 days.
2. Mortality reviews shall include an investigation of the events occurring prior to the death, an analysis of any acts or omissions by any staff or prisoners which might have contributed to the death, and the identification of problems for which corrective action should be undertaken.	Compliant	Current practice.
Q. Reentry Services		
R. Training		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County shall develop and implement, in collaboration with Plaintiffs' counsel, training curricula and schedules in accordance with the following:		
a) All jail custody staff shall receive formal training in medical needs, which shall encompass medical treatment, critical incident response, crisis intervention techniques, recognizing different types of medical emergencies, and acute medical needs, appropriate referral practices, relevant bias and cultural competency issues, and confidentiality standards. Training shall be received every two years, at minimum.	Partial-Compliant	No one class encompasses all requirements of this provision every 2 years. All Sheriff's attend a 6-month academy with specific learning domains covering bias and discrimination (LD 42) and First Aid and CPR (LD 34). Updated 10 hours of medical emergency and CPR training is done every two years. All Custody staff receive either 8 hours Crisis intervention. Specialized units, especially those assigned to designated mental health units, receive additional training relevant to their assignment. SSO and JPS will be holding more formal, joint training in 2024 encompassing these topics.

VII. SUICIDE PREVENTION		
A. Substantive Provisions		
Provision Requirement	Status	Sheriff's Office Update
1. The County recognizes that comprehensive review and restructuring of its suicide assessment, monitoring, and prevention practices are necessary to address the risk of suicide and self-harm attendant to detention in a jail setting.	Compliant	Suicide Prevention and Intervention Policy and Procedure 722 issued April 2023
2. The County shall establish, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, a new Suicide Prevention Policy that shall be in accordance with the following:	Compliant	Suicide Prevention and Intervention Policy and Procedure 722 issued April 2023
B. Training		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. The County shall develop, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, a four- to eight-hour pre-service suicide prevention curriculum for new Jail employees (including custody, medical, and mental health staff), to be conducted in person in a classroom or virtual classroom setting, that includes the following topics:	Compliant	As part of pre-service training, the Adult Corrections Officer Supplemental Core Course has been revised where Module 19.0 addresses suicide prevention. This section has been approved by the Board of State & Community Corrections (BSCC) as well as the Standards and Training for Corrections (STC). All current employees have received the 2-hour suicide prevention training developed in collaboration with the mental health SMEs. New employees have received the 4-hour suicide prevention training since May 22, 2022. All current employees have received the 2-hour suicide prevention training developed in collaboration with the mental health SMEs. New employees have received the 4-hour suicide prevention training.
a) avoiding obstacles (negative attitudes) to suicide prevention;	Compliant	Current practice
b) prisoner suicide research;	Compliant	Current practice
c) why facility environments are conducive to suicidal behavior;	Compliant	Current practice
d) identifying suicide risk despite the denial of risk;	Compliant	Current practice

e) potential predisposing factors to suicide;	Compliant	Current practice
f) high-risk suicide periods;	Compliant	Current practice
g) warning signs and symptoms;	Compliant	Current practice
h) components of the jail suicide prevention program	Compliant	Current practice
i) liability issues associated with prisoner suicide;	Compliant	Current practice
j) crisis intervention.	Compliant	Current practice
2. The County shall develop, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, a two-hour annual suicide prevention curriculum for all custody, medical, and mental health staff, to be conducted in person in a classroom or virtual classroom setting, that includes:	Compliant	Current Practice
a) review of topics (a)-(j) above	Compliant	Current Practice
b) review of any changes to the jail suicide prevention program	Compliant	Suicide Prevention and Intervention Policy and Procedure 722 issued April 2023
c) discussion of recent jail suicides or attempts	Compliant	Discussions occur daily with IOP and ACMH staff. If there are any attempts, they will be covered in these conversations. Additionally, the Suicide Prevention Committee meets regularly to review serious suicide attempts. There is also a Suicide Precautions Multidisciplinary Team Meeting to discuss management of inmates on suicide precautions which are particularly challenging.
3. Custody officers assigned to Designated Mental Health Units shall receive additional specialized training on suicide prevention and working with prisoners with serious mental illness.	Compliant	IOP and JBCT Deputies receive 24 hours of advanced CIT training. Several IOP/JBCT Deputies also attended negotiation training specific to custody.
5. All mental health staff and custody officers shall be trained on the appropriate use of safety suits—i.e., not to be utilized as a default, not to be used as a tool in behavior management, not to be utilized for patients being observed at 30-minute observations.	Compliant	Safety Suits are used at the discretions of ACMH based on collaboration with custody staff and not as a behavior management tool. During the 4 hour and 2-hour Suicide Prevention Class there is training and discussion about proper safety suit use consistent with this remedial plan.
6. The County shall ensure that all staff are trained in the new Suicide Prevention Policy.	Compliant	Suicide Prevention and Intervention Policy and Procedure 722 issued April 2023. Staff are prompted to review and acknowledge the policy which is

		electronically recorded in Lexipol.
C. Nursing Intake Screening		
D. Post-Intake Mental Health Assessment Procedures		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. All mental health assessments shall be conducted in an area that provides reasonable sound privacy and confidentiality. If a custody officer is present, the officer should be positioned in a place that allows for observation of the prisoner but maintains sound privacy, unless there is a clearly identified security or safety risk.	Partial-Compliant	<p>Current practice at RCCC. At Main Jail, inmate privacy is a priority. When ACMH assessments are conducted we offer the maximum level of privacy afforded given the case-by-case safety risk. At Main Jail a private booking attorney booth has been converted to be utilized as a confidential interview room for Mental health assessments.</p> <p>Structural space issues exist at both facilities. Neither has enough confidential treatment space to become fully compliant.</p> <p>On MJ housing floors, additional booths are in the planning stages and will consist of plexiglass enclosures with doors situated in the indoor rec area of each housing unit. Some booths will have a partition for safety as well as a security desk/chair. Funding and BSCC approval pending.</p> <p>SSO has purchased security desk/chair (same used at Santa Clara SO), which allows leg shackles to be secured. This allows clinicians to safely speak to higher security inmates in privacy without custody staff standing nearby.</p>
E. Response to Identification of Suicide Risk or Need for Higher Level of Care		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. When a prisoner is identified as at risk for suicide and placed by custody staff in a safety cell, on suicide precautions, and/or in a safety suit, mental health staff shall be contacted immediately. A qualified mental health professional, or other appropriately trained medical staff in consultation with mental health staff, shall complete a confidential in-person suicide risk assessment as soon as possible, consistent with the "must-see" referral timeline.	Compliant	<p>At Main Jail a private attorney booth has been converted to be utilized as a confidential interview room for Mental health assessments in booking.</p> <p>Custody staff place the inmate/patient in the least restrictive setting as possible contingent on available space. Staff constantly attempts to move inmate/patients out of safety cells to segregation cells (toilet and sink) or a 3-West suicide resistant SITHU cell.</p> <p>16 cells on the lower tier of 3-West 200 pod have been modified to provide additional suicide resistant cells.</p>

		RCCC we have an office designated for mental health evaluations.
2. Consistent with current RCCC policy, if there is no mental health staff on site at RCCC at the time that an emergent mental health need is identified, the prisoner shall be transported to the Main Jail for emergency evaluation within two hours of the initial report.	Compliant	Current practice with Telehealth as an option for assessment. RCCC at-times will use suicide resistant cells for IOP inmates based on ACMH recommendations. This was suggested by the suicide prevention SME.
4. The County shall ensure that the meal service schedule or other custody-related activities cause no delay in the completion of suicide risk assessments for prisoners.	Compliant	Current practice.
F. Housing of Inmates on Suicide Precautions		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. The County's policy and procedures shall direct that prisoners, including those identified as being at risk for suicide, be treated in the least restrictive setting appropriate to their individual clinical and safety needs.	Compliant	Current policy.
G. Inpatient Placements		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. The County shall ensure that prisoners who require psychiatric inpatient care as clinically indicated are placed in the 2P unit within 24 hours of identification, absent exceptional circumstances. In all cases, the provision of clinically indicated treatment to any prisoner requiring inpatient level of care shall be initiated within 24 hours.	Partial-Compliance	On December 8, 2022 the Sacramento Board of Supervisors approved to build a Jail Intake and health Services Facility as well as make ADA facility improvement to the current Jail. The inpatient unit will be designed to comply with this 24-hour requirement. There will be an interim solution of converting 3-West 300 Pod to a new expanded psychiatric inpatient unit to move toward compliance with the 24-hour requirement. IOP level of care has been expanded which can help reduce inpatient care requirements.
H. Temporary Suicide Precautions		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. No prisoner shall be housed in a safety cell, segregation holding cell, or other Temporary Suicide Precautions Housing for more than six (6) hours. If mental health or medical staff determine it to be clinically appropriate based on detoxification-related needs, this time	Partial-Compliance	The recently approved Jail Intake and Health Services Facility will bring the County in compliance. The County currently follow these timeframes as much as possible with the limited number of cells in the APU.

<p>limit may be extended to no more than eight (8) hours. If exceptional circumstances prevent transfer within these timelines, those circumstances shall be documented, and transfer shall occur as soon as possible. This does not preclude the housing of a prisoner in the IOP unit if clinically indicated.</p>		<p>The addition of 8 female IOP and 24 male IOP beds has brought us closer to compliance.</p> <p>Custody staff places the inmate/patient in the least restrictive setting as possible contingent on available space. Staff constantly attempts to move inmate/patients out of safety cells to segregation cells (toilet and sink) or a 3-West suicide resistant SITHU cell.</p> <p>A work order has been approved for 16 additional suicide resistant cells on the lower tier of 3-West 200 pod. This will alleviate the reliance on safety and segregation cells.</p>
<p>2. The County shall ensure, including by revising written policies and procedures where necessary, the timely and adequate completion of medical assessments for prisoners in need of suicide precautions, as required under Operations Order 4/05 (i.e., within 12 hours of placement of the next daily sick call, whichever is earliest, and then every 24 hours thereafter).</p>	Compliant	<p>Current practice. Custody staff shall notify medical staff within fifteen (15) minutes that a prisoner is temporarily housed in a safety or segregation cell and medical staff shall complete an assessment within 12 hours of placement or the next sick call, whichever is earliest.</p>
<p>3. The County shall ensure that any cell used for holding prisoners on suicide precautions is clean prior to the placement of a new prisoner, as well as cleaned on a normal cleaning schedule.</p>	Compliant	<p>Current practice. The Post Order has been approved.</p>
<p>4. The County shall create and implement a written policy ensuring adequate frequency for meals, fluids, hygiene, showers, prescribed medications, and toileting when a prisoner is in cell used for holding prisoners on suicide precautions.</p>	Compliant	<p>Current practice. Will add the language to the new Suicide Prevention policy. RCCC has no cells designed for long term housing of inmates on suicide precautions. RCCC does not have ACMH staff available 24 hours a day, but has TELEPSYCHIATRY available after hours, including weekends.</p>
<p>5. Inmates on suicide precautions shall not automatically be on lockdown and should be allowed dayroom or out-of-cell access consistent with security and clinical judgments.</p>	Compliant	<p>Current practice.</p>
<p>6. The classrooms or multipurpose rooms adjacent to the housing units in the Main Jail are designed for, and should be made available for, prisoner programs and treatment. Absent an emergency, the County shall not use the classrooms and multipurpose rooms to hold prisoners pending a mental health evaluation or on suicide precautions. Where such emergency occurs, the County shall document the reasons for retention and move the prisoner, within six (6) hours, to the inpatient unit or other appropriate housing location</p>	Compliant	<p>Current practice.</p>

for continued observation, evaluation, and treatment.		
I. Suicide Hazards in High-Risk Housing Locations		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. The County shall not place prisoners identified as being at risk for suicide or self-harm, or prisoners requiring IOP level of care, in settings that are not suicide-resistant as consistent with Lindsay Hayes's "Checklist for the 'Suicide-Resistant' Design of Correctional Facilities."	Compliant	Current practice. Inmates at risk for suicide, self-harm, or IOP level of care are housed in suicide resistant cells.
2. Cells with structural blind spots shall not be used for suicide precaution.	Compliant	Current practice. A work order has been approved for 16 additional suicide resistant cells on the lower tier of 3-West 200 pod. This will alleviate the reliance on safety and segregation cells.
J. Supervision/Monitoring of Suicidal Inmates		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. The County shall ensure adequate visibility and supervision of prisoners on suicide precautions.	Compliant	Current practice.
2. The County shall not cover cell windows with magnetic flaps or any other visual barrier preventing visibility into any cell that is housing a prisoner on suicide precautions or awaiting an inpatient bed, unless there is a specific security need and then for only a period of time necessary to address such security need.	Compliant	Current practice.
3. The County shall revise its policies regarding the monitoring of prisoners on suicide precautions to provide for at least the following two defined levels of observation:		
a) Close observation shall be used for prisoners who are not actively suicidal but express suicidal ideation (e.g., expressing a wish to die without a specific threat or plan) or have a recent prior history of self-destructive behavior. Close observation shall also be used for prisoners who deny suicidal ideation or do not threaten suicide but are engaging in other concerning behaviors indicating the potential for self-injury. Staff shall observe the prisoner at staggered intervals not to exceed every 15 minutes and shall document the observation as it occurs.	Compliant	The revised policy addresses this issue. The SSO Suicide Prevention policy language has been agreed upon by Class Counsel and SSO. The policy was published April 2023, each Sheriff's Office staff member must read and acknowledge the policy.

<p>b) Constant observation shall be used for prisoners who are actively suicidal, either threatening or engaging in self-injury, and considered a high risk for suicide. An assigned staff member shall observe the prisoner on a continuous, uninterrupted basis. The observation should be documented at 15-minute intervals. Staff should be physically stationed outside of the prisoner’s cell to permit continuous, uninterrupted observation.</p>	<p>Partial Compliance</p>	<p>ACMH is in the process of hiring "sitters" to perform this function.</p>
<p>4. For any prisoner requiring suicide precautions, a qualified mental health professional shall assess, determine, and document the clinically appropriate level of monitoring based on the prisoner’s individual circumstances. Placement in a safety cell shall not serve as a substitute for the clinically-determined level of monitoring.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>Current practice. Once ACMH staff has completed the inmate’s evaluation, the ACMH staff member shall consult with custody staff to determine the appropriate housing location for the inmate.</p>
<p>5. Video monitoring of prisoners on suicide precaution shall not serve as a substitute for Close or Constant observation.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>Current practice. Outlined in our current Suicide Prevention Policy</p>

K. Treatment of Inmates Identified as at Risk of Suicide

<p>Provision Requirement</p>	<p>Status</p>	<p>Status</p>
<p>3. All assessments, treatment, and other clinical encounters shall occur in an area that provides reasonable sound privacy and confidentiality. If a custody officer is present, the officer should be positioned in a place that allows for observation of the prisoner but maintains sound privacy, unless there is a clearly identified security or safety risk.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>When necessary, custody staff will standby for security while offering auditory privacy. Proximity is dependent on the inmate’s behavior safety risk. This can be accomplished at RCCC due to the design of the three offices where these contacts take place. All of the doors can be closed. They have windows where the officers can stand outside and see what is taking place in the room.</p> <p>At Main Jail a private attorney booth has been converted to be utilized as a confidential interview room for Mental health assessments in booking.</p> <p>On MJ housing floors, classrooms and confidential attorney booths are available for clinical encounters.</p> <p>Additional booths are in the planning stages and will consist of plexiglass enclosures with doors situated in the indoor rec area of each housing unit. Some booths will have a partition for safety as well as a security desk/chair. Funding and BSCC approval pending.</p> <p>SSO has purchased security desk/chair (same used at Santa Clara SO),</p>

		which allows leg shackles to be secured. This allows clinicians to safely speak to higher security inmates in privacy without custody staff standing nearby.
L. Conditions for Individual Inmates on Suicide Precautions		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. The County's Suicide Prevention Policy shall set forth clear and internally consistent procedures regarding decisional authority for determining the conditions for individual inmates on suicide precautions. Mental health staff shall have primary authority, consistent with individualized classification and security needs, with respect to the following:	Compliant	Current practice, Mental Health staff's recommendations are taken into consideration when making housing decisions for inmates with mental health concerns.
M. Property and Privileges		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. Qualified mental health professionals shall have the primary responsibility to determine, based on clinical judgment and on a case-by-case basis in consultation with custody staff, depending on suicide risk, the removal and/or return of routine privileges (e.g., visits, telephone calls, recreation) that are otherwise within the limitations of a prisoner's classification security level. Any removal of privileges shall be documented with clinical justification in the prisoner's medical/mental health record and reviewed on a regular basis.	Compliant	Current practice. Prisoners placed in a safety cell shall be allowed to retain enough clothing or be provided with a suitably designed "safety garment" to provide for the prisoner's personal privacy unless specific identifiable risks to the prisoner's safety or to the security of the facility exist and are documented.
2. Qualified mental health professionals shall have the primary responsibility to determine, based on clinical judgment and on a case-by-case basis in consultation with custody staff depending on suicide risk, the removal and/or return of a prisoner's clothing and possessions (e.g., books, slippers/sandals, eyeglasses) that are otherwise within the limitations of a prisoner's classification security level. The removal of property shall be documented with clinical justification in the prisoner's medical/mental health record and reviewed on a regular basis.	Compliant	Current practice. If deemed necessary by ACMH staff, the inmate's clothing shall be taken and the inmate will be given a "safety suit" to wear. Prisoners shall be allowed to retain personal clothing except for shoelaces, shoes, belts, or any other clothing articles which could threaten his/her safety or damage property.
3. Cancellation of privileges should be avoided whenever possible and utilized only as a last resort.	Compliant	Current practice. Cancellation of privileges would be done only as a last resort or if deemed necessary per ACMH.
N. Use of Safety Suits		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status

1. Decisions about the use of a safety suit (smock) or removal of normal clothing will be under mental health staff's authority, based on individualized clinical judgment along with input from custody staff.	Compliant	Current practice. Outlined in the current Suicide Prevention Program Operations Order. The use of the "Safety Suit" shall be at the discretion of ACMH, based on collaboration with intake or custody staff.
2. Custody staff may only temporarily place an inmate in a safety suit based on an identified risk of suicide by hanging until the qualified mental health professional's evaluation, to be completed within the "must see" referral timeline. Upon completion of the mental health evaluation, the mental health professional will determine whether to continue or discontinue use of the safety suit.	Compliant	Absent direction from ACMH deeming a "safety garment" necessary, a sworn supervisor must authorize custody staff to take the clothing and supply the prisoner with a "safety garment". Unless a "safety garment" is necessitated by the prisoner's behavior, prisoners shall be allowed to retain personal clothing except for shoelaces, shoes, belts, or any other clothing articles which could threaten his/her safety or damage property
3. If an inmate's clothing is removed, the inmate shall be issued a safety suit and safety blanket.	Compliant	Current practice. See above.
4. As soon as clinically appropriate, the provision of regular clothing shall be restored. The goal shall be to return full clothing to the inmate prior to discharge from suicide precautions.	Compliant	Current practice. Determination is made by ACMH. At the Main Jail, After Lindsey Hayes visit in November 2022, it was discovered SSO was not conducting QA reviews of safety smock use pursuant to the MOA filed June 3, 2022. Moving forward the IOP Sergeant will conduct QA audits of safety smock use and timely return of clothing and property when notified by ACMH.
6. If a qualified mental health professional determines that 30-minute (or less frequent) observations are warranted for a prisoner, safety suits shall not be used on that prisoner.	Compliant	Current practice, use of safety suit and 30 minute or less frequent observations are done if determined by ACMH
7. Safety suits shall not be used as a tool for behavior management or punishment.	Compliant	Current practice. Safety suits are only used when necessary for the safety and security of the inmate.

O. Beds and Bedding

Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. All prisoners housed for more than four hours on suicide precautions and/or in an inpatient placement shall be provided with an appropriate bed, mattress, and bedding unless the prisoner uses these items in ways for which they were not intended (e.g., tampering or obstructing visibility into the cell). Such a determination shall be documented and shall be reviewed on a regular basis.	Compliant	This is current practice. Those housed in safety cells in the booking area are moved to appropriate suicide resistant housing as soon as a bed/cell opens up. A work order has been approved for 16 additional suicide resistant cells on the lower tier of 3-West 200 pod. This will alleviate the reliance on safety and segregation cells.

P. Discharge from Suicide Precautions

Provision Requirement	Status	Status
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1. A qualified mental health professional shall complete and document a suicide risk assessment prior to discharging a prisoner from suicide precautions in order to ensure that the discharge is appropriate and that appropriate treatment and safety planning is completed.	Compliant	Current custody practice.
3. Qualified mental health professionals shall provide clinical input regarding clinically appropriate housing placement (e.g., whether isolation is contraindicated for the prisoner) upon discharge. Custody and classification shall consider such clinical input in determining post-discharge placement and conditions of confinement. Once clinically discharged from suicide precautions, the prisoner shall be promptly transferred to appropriate housing.	Compliant	Current custody practice. This is accomplished with the input of Classification staff and ACMH.
Q. Emergency Response		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. The County shall keep an emergency response bag that includes appropriate equipment, including a first aid kit, CPR mask or Ambu bag, and emergency rescue tool in close proximity to all housing units. All custodial and medical staff be trained on the location of this emergency response bag and shall receive regular training on emergency response procedures, including how to use appropriate equipment.	Compliant	Those items are available in each facility.
2. All custody and medical staff shall be trained in first aid and CPR.	Compliant	Current custody practice. Sworn staff receives CPR training every two years. It is part of our Advanced Officer Training (AOT) program.
3. It shall be the policy of the County that any staff who discovers an inmate attempting suicide shall immediately respond, survey the scene to ensure the emergency is genuine, and alert other staff to call for medical personnel. Trained staff shall begin to administer standard first aid and/or CPR, as appropriate.	Compliant	Current practice.
R. Quality Assurance and Quality Improvement		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
2. The County shall, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, revise its in-custody death review policy and procedures. Reviews shall be conducted with the active participation of custody, medical, and mental health staff. Reviews shall include analysis of policy or	Compliant	Current practice.

systemic issues and the development of corrective action plans when warranted.		
3. For each suicide and serious suicide attempt (e.g., requiring hospitalization), the County’s Suicide Prevention Task Force shall review: 1) the circumstances surrounding the incident; 2) the procedures relevant to the incident; 3) all relevant training received by involved staff; 4) pertinent medical and mental health services/reports involving the victim; and 5) any possible precipitating factors that may have caused the victim to commit suicide or suffer a serious suicide attempt. Where applicable, the Review Team shall generate recommendations for changes in policy, training, physical plant, medical or mental health services, and operational procedures.	Compliant	Current practice. The Suicide Prevention Task Force has been reestablished and has had several meetings.

VIII. SEGREGATION/RESTRICTIVE HOUSING

A. General Principles

Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. Prisoners will be housed in the least restrictive setting necessary to ensure their own safety, as well as the safety of staff, other prisoners, and the public.	Compliant	This is our current practice.
a) The County shall not place prisoners in more restrictive settings, including Segregation, based solely on a mental illness or any other disability. Prisoners will be housed in the most integrated setting appropriate to their individual needs.	Compliant	At the Main Jail we have implemented ADSEG classification review utilizing objective criteria and forms created with the assistance of DRC/PLO. Those placed in ADSEG are reviewed based on objective factors for segregation and not mental health status. At the Main Jail the female IOP program was expanded with 8 high security beds to better service the SMI population. RCCC has implemented several SMI program pods, where inmates housed in a single cell are only assigned based on ACMH recommendation and allowed program/recreation time with other inmates, minimum 17 hours a week. A high security IOP program has been implemented at RCCC with additional 24 male beds. This reduces reliance on restrictive housing for inmates who are hard to manage.
b) The County shall not place prisoners into Segregation units based solely on classification score.	Compliant	Several objective indicators are used to determine the appropriateness of segregation. Written documentation is required and we are working towards periodic review of justification for segregation. Inmates solely

		classified as "high" are not routinely segregated.
c) The County shall review the housing and restrictions of female prisoners classified as high security to ensure that this population is not subject to Segregation conditions of confinement.	Compliant	Current practice.
d) Specialized medical units (e.g., Main Jail 2 West Med/Psych, Main Jail 2 East) and mental health units (e.g., OPP, IOP, MHU, 2P) are not Segregation housing units. The County shall ensure that prisoners housed in these units receive daily access to out-of-cell time, telephones, showers, and other programs, services, and activities consistent with their classification and treatment plan.	Compliant	To provided needed programming custody staff on 2P is now 12hr day/7 days a week for better availability requested by ACMH. MJ leadership is still working on finding 2 additional deputy positions assigned on the night shift. 3-West IOP deputies provide needed staffing for daily access to programing consistent with this requirement. The MJ implemented a male OPP single celled housing unit with 30 beds on 3-East 100 Pod. The female IOP program was expanded with 8 high security beds to better service the SMI population. A similar high security IOP program has been implemented at RCCC with additional 24 male beds. SSO and ACMH have added staffing to provide better services to this population. RCCC has an open floor plan setting for medical housing with access to phones, showers, and yard. Our IOP housing units have constant programming which allows them to exceed the minimum out of cell time of 17 hours.
2. The County shall not place a prisoner in Segregation units without first determining that such confinement is necessary for the safety of the staff, other prisoners, or the public. The County shall clearly document in writing the specific reason(s) for a prisoner's placement and retention in Segregation housing. The reason(s) shall be supported by clear, objective evidence. Prisoners will remain in Segregation housing for no longer than necessary to address the reason(s) for placement.	Compliant	With the assistance of Plaintiff's Counsel, ADSEG forms were created and are currently being utilized by SSO staff to comply with this requirement. Staff strives to use objective factors when determining segregation status of individual inmates.
3. The County shall not place the following prisoners in a Segregation setting unless necessary to address a serious risk of physical harm, and in such cases only for the minimum time necessary to identify an alternative appropriate placement:	Compliant	New ADSEG forms being utilized to ensure objective reasons for segregation status.
a) Prisoners with acute medical needs that require an inpatient level of care and/or daily nursing care;	Compliant	Current practice.
b) Prisoners who are pregnant, post-partum, who recently had a miscarriage, or who recently had a terminated pregnancy.	Compliant	Not codified in policy, however is our current practice as we now have regular collaboration with ACMH and review all inmates who are housed in

		segregation.
B. Conditions of Confinement		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. The County will provide at least 17 hours of out-of-cell time per week for all prisoners, with the exception of prisoner's subject to Administrative Segregation Phase I and Disciplinary Segregation in accordance with this remedial plan. The County will monitor out-of-cell time, and if minimum out-of-cell time requirements are routinely not being met at a particular facility or in a particular housing unit, the Sheriff's Department division commander or designee will review the situation and take appropriate steps to resolve the issue.	Compliant	At the MJ, weekly out of cell time reports are distributed to supervisors and managers to ensure compliance. RCCC has been able to meet the required out of cell time almost consistently across housing units who are not in COVID 19 quarantine/isolation. Out of cell totals are monitored by the compliance unit to ensure we are reaching the required totals.
a) The County shall implement a policy to document out-of-cell time provided to each prisoner. The County shall conduct monthly audits to ensure that prisoners have been provided the required treatment and recreation time out of cell. This data will be regularly reviewed as part of the County's Quality Assurance procedures.	Compliant	Out of cell time is monitored and recorded in the current ATIMS system. Reports are generated on a weekly basis, and checked for compliance. A Post Order regarding this topic has been approved. The officers are aware of the amount of out-of-cell time each classification of inmate is entitled to receive.
2. Out-of-cell time with the opportunity to exercise shall be provided to each prisoner seven (7) days per week, including outdoors/recreation time when feasible. The County shall offer out-of-cell time at appropriate times of day.	Compliant	Schedules have been created to ensure fair distribution of outdoor recreation.
3. The County shall modify its non-disciplinary Segregation policies and procedures to allow reasonable access to the following: (1) Personal phone calls for all prisoners, including at least five hours or three weekdays per week of phone access during normal business hours; (2) Education, rehabilitation, and other materials (e.g. writing implements, art supplies, tablets), for in-cell activities; (3) Personal and legal visiting; (4) Religious services; and (5) Commissary.	Compliant	At MJ personal and legal visiting is unrestricted. With the reduction of ADSEG population out of cell time and phone time are in compliance. Once the majority of our 14 housing units set aside for COVID Intake Quarantine are converted back to GP, we will be able to provide more programs and access to non-disciplinary Segregated inmates. At RCCC phones are available during any out of cell time which for non-disciplinary segregation is 17 hours per week. RCCC does not have Administrative Segregation housing. The Post Order regarding this topic has been approved. As COVID restrictions lessen, Jail and RCCC Compliance Lieutenants will make policies related to the Consent Decree a priority to complete in 2023.

a) The conditions and privileges described above shall be provided unless there is a specific safety or security issue preventing provision of such materials or the prisoner is subjected to disciplinary action.	Compliant	Current practice
4. Cell windows shall not be covered with magnetic flaps, towels, sheets, or any other visual barrier preventing visibility into and out of the cell, unless there is a specific security or privacy need that is documented, and then for only a period of time necessary to address such security or privacy need. This provision shall apply to all cells housing prisoners.	Compliant	Current practice
5. The County shall establish procedures so that all housing unit cells are searched and cleaned prior to a prisoner's placement in the cell.	Compliant	The Post Order regarding this topic was approved. Current Practice
6. The County shall establish procedures to ensure that no prisoner is placed in a Segregation housing cell without a mattress and appropriate bedding.	Compliant	Current practice.
C. Mental Health Functions in Segregation Units		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. Segregation Placement Mental Health Review		
a) All prisoners placed in a non-disciplinary Segregation housing unit and all prisoners housed in a Disciplinary Detention unit shall be assessed by a qualified mental health professional within 24 hours of placement to determine whether such placement is contraindicated. All prisoners subjected to Disciplinary Segregation conditions for 72 hours in their general population housing unit (i.e., confined to cell 23 hours per day) shall also be assessed by a qualified mental health professional no later than the fourth day of such placement.	Compliant	Current practice. Custody staff notifies ACMH immediately after an inmate is moved to disciplinary housing.
b) Any decision to place prisoners with Serious Mental Illness in Segregation shall include the input of a qualified mental health professional who has conducted a clinical evaluation of the prisoner in a private and confidential setting (absent a specific current risk that necessitates the presence of custody staff), is familiar with the details of the available clinical history, and has considered the prisoner's mental health needs and history.	Compliant	The need to place prisoners with SMI into segregation has been greatly reduced: Objective ADSEG Forms reduce unnecessary segregation The MJ implemented a male OPP single celled housing unit with 30 beds on 3-East 100 Pod reduced those on ADSEG. The female IOP program was expanded with 8 high security beds to better service the SMI population. A similar high security IOP program has been implemented at RCCC with total of 48 male beds. SSO and ACMH have added staffing to provide

		<p>better services to this population.</p> <p>MJ SSO and ACMH meets regularly to discuss confidential MH visits and troubleshoot non-compliance.</p> <p>RCCC has multiple SMI programs. Inmates in IOP and JBCT are not in segregation/restriction housing. Disciplinary housing is issued only with clearance from ACMH staff assigned to these programs. Consultation with SMI inmates and ACMH in these programs are confidential.</p>
d) If mental health or medical staff find that a prisoner has a Serious Mental Illness or has other contraindications to Segregation, that prisoner shall be removed from Segregation absent exceptional and exigent circumstances.	Compliant	<p>We are working to meet compliance with feedback from plaintiff's counsel.</p> <p>At the MJ female inmates with SMI are removed from segregation and placed into IOP which has recently been expanded with 8 more beds on 3W100.</p> <p>A similar high security IOP program has been implemented at RCCC.</p>
2. Segregation Rounds and Clinical Contacts		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
a) Cell checks (to ensure that prisoners are safe and breathing) shall be conducted for all prisoners in Segregation at least every 30 minutes, at staggered intervals. Completion of cell checks will be timely documented.	Compliant	Current practice. See POST ORDER HOUSING UNIT CHECKS
b) A qualified mental health or medical professional shall conduct check-ins at least once a week, to assess and document the health status of all prisoners in Segregation, and shall make referrals as necessary. The check-in shall include a brief conversation with each prisoner, a visual observation of the cell, and an inquiry into whether the prisoner would like to request a confidential meeting with a mental health or medical provider. Steps shall be taken to ensure effective communication, as well as auditory privacy consistent with security needs. When a prisoner in Segregation requests a confidential meeting with a mental health or medical provider, or the medical or mental health professional identifies a mental health or medical need, staff shall make appropriate arrangements to include triage, examination and treatment in an appropriate clinical setting. In such cases, staff shall give the prisoner the opportunity to complete a health care request but will otherwise initiate a referral without requiring the prisoner to complete a request form.	Compliant	<p>At the MJ and RCCC custody staff provides access to inmates for medical and mental health staff. No inmate is denied a request for access to medical or mental health care regardless of housing or classification. If an inmate request to see medical they can fill out a kite if it is not an emergency. If it is an emergency, officers notify medical or mental health.</p> <p>MJ SSO and ACMH meets regularly to discuss confidential MH visits and troubleshoot non-compliance.</p> <p>At the Main Jail additional booths are in the planning stages and will consist of plexiglass enclosures with doors situated in the indoor rec area of each housing unit. Some booths will have a partition for safety as well as security desk/chair. Funding and BSCC approval pending.</p> <p>SSO has purchased security desk/chair (same used at Santa Clara SO), which allows leg shackles to be secured. This allows clinicians to safely speak to higher security inmates in privacy without custody staff standing nearby.</p>
3. Response to Decompenation in Segregation		

Provision Requirement	Status	Status
<p>a) If a prisoner in Segregation develops signs or symptoms of mental illness where such signs or symptoms had not previously been identified, suffers deterioration in his or her mental health, engages in self-harm, or develops a heightened risk of suicide, the prisoner shall immediately be referred for appropriate assessment and treatment from a qualified mental health professional who will recommend appropriate housing and/or programming.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>Objective ADSEG Forms reduce unnecessary segregation. With the reduction of COVID Intake Pods, inmates on 8-West who have been stepped down off ADSEG will be redistributed to other floors with less restrictions.</p> <p>The MJ implemented a male OPP single celled housing unit with 30 beds on 3-East 100 Pod reduced those on ADSEG. The female IOP program was expanded with 8 additional beds to better service the SMI population. A similar high security IOP program has been implemented at RCCC. SSO and ACMH have added staffing to provide better services to this population.</p>
<p>b) Jail staff shall follow a mental health recommendation to remove a prisoner from Segregation unless such removal poses a current safety risk that is documented. In such a case, the Commander or management-level designee shall be notified and staff shall work to remove the prisoner from Segregation and secure a placement in an appropriate treatment setting at the earliest possible time.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>Numerous former inmates who were housed in segregated units have been distributed to the following mental health housing units in collaboration with ACMH:</p> <p>The MJ implemented a male OPP single celled housing unit with 30 beds on 3-East 100 Pod reduced those on ADSEG. The female IOP program was expanded with 8 additional beds to better service the SMI population. A similar high security IOP program has been implemented at RCCC. SSO and ACMH have added staffing to provide better services to this population.</p>

D. Placement of Prisoners with Serious Mental Illness in Segregation

Provision Requirement	Status	Status
<p>1. Prisoners with a mental health condition meeting criteria for placement in a Designated Mental Health Unit (2P, IOP, OPP) will not be placed in Segregation, but rather will be placed in an appropriate treatment setting – specifically, the inpatient unit or other Designated Mental Health Unit providing programming as described in Exhibit A-2.</p>	<p>Compliant</p>	<p>Numerous former inmates who were housed in segregated units have been distributed to the following mental health housing units in collaboration with ACMH:</p> <p>The MJ implemented a male OPP single celled housing unit with 30 beds on 3-East 100 Pod reduced those on ADSEG. The female IOP program was expanded with 8 additional beds to better service the SMI population. A similar high security IOP program has been implemented at RCCC. SSO and ACMH have added staffing to provide better services to this population.</p> <p>There sometimes is an objective reason or need to keep individuals separated from other inmates for safety or security reasons. Individuals are integrated into small groups for treatment whenever feasible to prevent</p>

		segregation. Segregation is never based on SMI.
2. In rare cases where a prisoner with a mental health condition meeting criteria for placement in a Designated Mental Health Unit presents an immediate danger or significant disruption to the therapeutic milieu, and there is no reasonable alternative, such a prisoner may be housed separately for the briefest period of time necessary to address the issue, subject to the following:	Compliant	Current Practice and in collaboration with ACMH. Rarely ever used. Often between the APU or IOP units, segregation is not needed.
a) The prisoner shall receive commensurate out-of-cell time and programming as described in Exhibit A-2 (including for IOP and OPP, 10 hours/week of group treatment/structured activities, 7 hours/week unstructured out-of-cell time, weekly individual clinical contact) with graduated programming subject to an individualized Alternative Treatment Program.	Partial Compliance	We are working to meet compliance with feedback from plaintiff's counsel. At both facilities, IOP will no longer remove patients that are disruptive without clinical assessment and agreement by ACMH. When patients are moved, they are monitored by ACMH through case management. Staff now has more options with the MJ single celled OPP pod, expanded female IOP program and RCCC's 48 bed male high security IOP unit.
iv. Privileges commensurate with the Designated Mental Health Unit program, unless modified in an Alternative Treatment Program based on individual case factors that are regularly reviewed.	Compliant	Inmates in DMHUs housed without a cellmate receive program and recreation time with other inmates. Incentives programs are utilized as advised by ACMH staff. They generally exceed the 17-hour minimum per our weekly reports. ACMH determines when an inmate in these housing facilities must be housed in a solitary cell. Custody has deferred all decisions related to property and privileges to ACMH unless deemed a safety or security risk which will be documented with articulable facts. Currently 2 dedicated deputies are assigned to the Acute Psychiatric Unit (2P) to facilitate programming during the day. Recently their schedule has changed to 12hr day/7 days a week for better availability requested by ACMH. MJ leadership is planning to augment with 2 additional deputies assigned on the night shift in the near future. We are working to meet compliance with feedback from plaintiff's counsel.
v. Daily opportunity to shower.	Compliant	Current practice. Hygiene opportunities are available during any recreation time and incentivized in some programs
3. A prisoner with Serious Mental Illness requiring restraints (e.g., handcuffs, belly chains, etc.) shall not be denied clinically indicated group or individual treatment due to security factors, absent exceptional circumstances that are documented. Prisoners with Serious Mental Illness housed in Segregation who require restraints when out of cell shall have the opportunity to work their way out of restraints through graduated programming subject to an	Compliant	Current practice.

individualized Alternative Treatment Program.		
E. Administrative Segregation		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. Use of Administrative Segregation		The MJ has implemented ADSEG forms created in collaboration with Plaintiff's Counsel to objectively determine if an individual should be classified in ADSEG status. These forms are also used to objectively determine if continued ADSEG classification is appropriate consistent with this section.
a) Only the Classification Unit can assign a prisoner to Administrative Segregation.	Compliant	Current practice.
b) The County may use Administrative Segregation in the following circumstances:		
i. Objective evidence indicates that a prisoner participated in a recent assault and the assaultive behavior involved an assault on staff or visitors, serious injury, use of a weapon, gang removals, or multiple prisoner assaults. Mutual combat situations that do not otherwise qualify for Administrative Segregation are excluded.	Compliant	At the Main Jail we have implemented ADSEG classification review utilizing objective criteria and forms created with the assistance of DRC/PLO. Those placed in ADSEG are reviewed based on objective factors for segregation. SSO continues to move towards compliance with input from Plaintiff's Counsel. While many inmates have been stepped down to GP they remain on floor 8-West. SSO agrees 8-West objectively appears to be a segregated housing unit. With the reduction of COVID Intake Pods, inmates on 8-West who have been stepped down off ADSEG will be redistributed to other floors with less restrictions.
ii. During a brief investigative period not to exceed ten days while Classification staff attempts to verify the need for Protective Custody or while the prisoner is awaiting transfer to another facility.	Compliant	We are working to meet compliance with feedback from plaintiff's counsel. More serious investigations, such as sexual assault, may take longer to conclude causing segregation to go beyond 10 days.
c) The Compliance Commander shall have the authority to place prisoners in Administrative Segregation under the following circumstances:		
i. The prisoner poses an extraordinary safety risk and no other housing unit is sufficient to protect the prisoner from harm;	Compliant	Current practice.
ii. The prisoner has failed to integrate into a lesser restrictive housing setting because of repeated and recent history of assaultive behavior or current threats of violence associated with being in a lesser restrictive setting; or	Compliant	Current practice.

iii. Objective evidence indicates that the prisoner attempted to escape or presents an escape risk.	Compliant	Current practice.
2. Notice, Documentation, and Review of Administrative Segregation Designations		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
a) The Classification Unit shall document the rationale for designating a prisoner for Administrative Segregation in the classification file using objective evidence. For prisoners younger than 24, the Classification Unit shall consider the prisoner's age as a mitigating factor when assigning the prisoner to Administrative Segregation.	Compliant	Current practice as age is a potential mitigating factor to classification as an Administrative Segregation inmate. The Post Order regarding this topic has been approved.
a) The Classification Unit shall document the rationale for designating a prisoner for Administrative Segregation in the classification file using objective evidence. For prisoners younger than 24, the Classification Unit shall consider the prisoner's age as a mitigating factor when assigning the prisoner to Administrative Segregation.	Compliant	Current practice as age is a potential mitigating factor to classification as an Administrative Segregation inmate. The Post Order regarding this topic has been approved.
b) Classification shall attempt to down-class prisoners to a lesser restrictive housing setting at the earliest possible opportunity, consistent with safety and security.	Compliant	Current practice.
c) County shall provide prisoners in Administrative Segregation with a written notice within 72 hours of the prisoner's initial placement in Administrative Segregation, explaining the reasons for the prisoner's Administrative Segregation designation and how the prisoner may progress to a lesser restrictive housing setting.	Compliant	Current practice at RCCC and Main Jail
d) Prisoners housed in Segregation units will, at least every (30) days, receive face-to-face interviews in a private out-of-cell setting, consistent with individual security needs, to discuss progress and compliance with their individual case plan as part of a classification review. Consideration will be given to their mental health and to their appropriateness for transfer to a less restrictive setting.	Compliant	Current practice
e) The Compliance Commander or higher-ranked officer will review and approve the decision to designate a prisoner for Administrative Segregation for longer than 15 days.	Compliant	Current practice
f) The County shall document the reason the prisoner is retained in the same Administrative Segregation Phase. The prisoner will be	Compliant	Current practice

given written notice of the reasons the prisoner is being retained in the same Phase of Administrative Segregation and what conduct the prisoner is required to exhibit to progress to a lesser restrictive housing setting.		
g) The Compliance Commander or higher-ranked officer must approve the continued retention of a prisoner in Administrative Segregation for longer than 90 days, and the Compliance Commander or higher-ranked officers must reauthorize such placement at least every 90 days thereafter.	Compliant	Current practice
3. Administrative Segregation Phases		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
a) The County shall develop and implement a phased system for prisoners designated as Administrative Segregation to achieve a lesser restrictive housing setting.	Compliant	Current practice
b) Administrative Segregation Phase I:		
i. This is the most restrictive designation for prisoners in Administrative Segregation.		
ii. Prisoners shall be offered a minimum of one hour per day out of cell time for a total of seven hours per week.	Compliant	Current practice
iii. Prisoners shall be offered an opportunity for Out-of-Cell Activities for at least five of the seven hours per week.	Compliant	Current practice
iv. Prisoners shall not remain in Phase I for longer than 15 days unless the prisoner engages in new conduct warranting retention in Administrative Segregation as specified in Section VIII.E.1.b.	Compliant	Current practice
c) Administrative Segregation Phase II:		
a) Prisoners shall be offered a minimum of 17 hours of out of cell time per week.	Compliant	Current practice at RCCC and MJ, monitored with weekly reports through ATIMS . Except for those subject to COVID-19 isolation procedures.
b) Prisoners shall be offered an opportunity for Out-of-Cell Activities for at least 10 of the 17 hours per week.		Current Practice. Except for those subject to COVID-19 isolation procedures.
c) Prisoners shall be offered the opportunity to program in groups of two to four prisoners, unless pairing with another prisoner is not possible for safety or security reasons, and those reasons are documented by the County.	Compliant	Current Practice subject to COVID-19 Isolation/Quarantine.

d) The County shall develop a program of incentives for good behavior.	Partial Compliance	Plans in place to identify low cost incentives, including eating meals outside of cells and lower restrictive housing.
e) Prisoners shall not remain in Phase II for longer than 30 days unless the prisoner commits a serious behavioral violation while in Administrative Segregation: fighting; threatening staff or other prisoners; resisting or delaying an order from staff that impedes Jail operations (e.g., failure to lock down); refusing to submit to a search of person or property; destroying or damaging Jail property (excluding property issued to a prisoner and/or minor defacing of property or destruction of low-value property) or facilities; possessing contraband that implicates safety or security (e.g., weapons, razors, unauthorized medication, but not extra clothing, commissary items, or food); cell flooding; tampering with cell locking mechanisms or other security features (e.g., cameras); and/or sexual activity/harassment. In the event a prisoner engages in a serious behavioral violation, the conduct will be referred to the Classification Sergeant or higher-ranking officer, who shall have the discretion to extend the prisoner's Phase II time by 15 days, and shall develop an individual behavioral management plan, if one does not yet exist, for the prisoner.	Compliant	Current practice
F. Protective Custody		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. When a prisoner faces a legitimate threat from other prisoners, the County will seek alternative housing, by transferring the threatened prisoner to the general population of another facility or unit, or to a special-purpose housing (Protective Custody) unit for prisoners who face similar threats.	Compliant	Current Practice. Inmates who face threats from other inmates are transferred to other housing units of the same classification and not automatically classed to a higher security level.
2. The County will not operate Protective Custody units with Segregation-type conditions of confinement. Prisoners placed in Protective Custody shall have the same programs and privileges as general population prisoners, absent exceptional circumstances that are documented.	Compliant	We are working to meet compliance with feedback from plaintiff's counsel. RCCC currently has re-entry programs for PC classifications and dorm style housing units with open dayroom. At the Main Jail, protective custody inmates are generally housed on 4-West with access to privileges consistent with general population. As we strive to meet compliance adjustments can be made to individual needs, housing location, and program availability to better serve this population.

3. The County shall create a policy that describes the process and criteria for placement of prisoners into Protective Custody. The County shall consult with Plaintiffs to develop such a policy.	In Process	Policy yet to be developed.
4. Prisoners who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or intersex (LGBTI) or whose appearance or manner does not conform to traditional gender expectations should not be placed in Segregation or Protective Custody solely on the basis of such identification or status, or because they are receiving gender dysphoria treatment.	Partial-Compliance	We are working to meet compliance with feedback from plaintiff's counsel.
a) When a prisoner who is LGBTI or gender nonconforming faces a legitimate threat, the County shall identify alternative housing, with conditions comparable to those of general population. Privileges and out-of-cell time for this population will be documented and regularly reviewed by supervisory level staff to ensure appropriate housing, out-of-cell-time, and related conditions for this group of prisoners.	Partial-Compliance	We are working to meet compliance with feedback from plaintiff's counsel.
b) In deciding whether to assign a transgender or intersex prisoner to a facility or program for male or female prisoners, the County shall consider on a case-by-case basis whether a placement would ensure the prisoner's health and safety, and the health and safety of other prisoners, giving serious consideration to the prisoner's own views.	Compliant	Current practice.
c) Jail staff will receive training on the unique issues of managing transgender prisoners, with refresher training at least bi-annually.	Partial-Compliance	A lesson plan and PowerPoint has been implemented for the topic of Cultural Awareness, which covers managing transgender prisoners. This training has been provided in the Adult Corrections Officer Supplemental Core Course starting 2021 with all new hires. This course will be transitioned into an online bi-annual refresher training.
5. For prisoners who are LGBTI or whose appearance or manner does not conform to traditional gender expectations, the County shall identify the prisoner's preferred gender of jail staff who will perform searches of the prisoner. The County shall honor the request except in exigent circumstances when doing so is not possible.	Compliant	Current practice. Statement of preference form completed by TGNI prisoners allowing them to request the gender of searching officer.

G. Disciplinary Segregation

Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. The County will not place a prisoner in disciplinary housing pending investigation of, and due process procedures for, an alleged disciplinary offense unless the prisoner's presence in general	Compliant	Current practice.

population would pose a danger to the prisoner, staff, other prisoners or the public.		
2. The County will adhere to a discipline matrix, developed in consultation with Plaintiffs, that clearly defines when disciplinary housing may be imposed.	Compliant	Current practice.
3. Prisoners who are found to have violated disciplinary rules following due process procedures will be placed in Segregation only after the County has determined that other available disciplinary options are insufficient, with reasons documented in writing.	Compliant	Current practice. If an inmate's discipline warrants a segregation he/she will be moved to that housing and it is documented.
4. The denial of out-of-cell time for more than four (4) hours will not be imposed as a sanction absent a formal disciplinary write-up and due process hearing.	Compliant	Current Practice. All Shift Supervisors and Watch Commanders have been notified any denial of out of cell time for more than four (4) hours requires a due process hearing.
5. Prisoners serving a Disciplinary Segregation term shall receive at least seven (7) hours per week of out-of-cell time. Out-of-cell time with the opportunity to exercise shall be provided to each prisoner one (1) hour a day, seven (7) days per week.	Compliant	Current Practice. We have been continuously messaging out-of-cell times to include Disciplinary Segregation. This is monitored weekly by the Compliance Units.
6. Prisoners in Disciplinary Segregation shall, absent an individualized assessment of security risk that is documented be provided at least one book (which prisoners may regularly exchange), legal documents, hygiene materials, legal phone calls, and legal visits.	Compliant	Current practice Numerous books, recommended by Plaintiff's Counsel, have been purchased. Book exchange is available daily and upon request.
7. No Disciplinary Segregation term for non-violent rules violations will exceed 15 days.	Compliant	Current practice. SEE DISCIPLINARY SEGREGATION POST ORDER As COVID restrictions lessen, Compliance Lieutenants will make policies related to the Consent Decree a priority to complete in 2023.
8. The County will, in consultation with Plaintiffs' counsel, modify its inmate discipline policy and practice to limit placements in Disciplinary Segregation conditions to no more than 15 days, absent cases of serious violations stemming from distinct incidents and with Watch Commander-level approval.	Compliant	Current practice, contained in Discipline Housing Post Order.
9. No prisoner shall be placed in Disciplinary Segregation for more than 30 consecutive days.	Compliant	Current practice, contained in Discipline Housing Post Order.
10. If after a Disciplinary Segregation term, Jail staff, with the input of a mental health clinician, determine that the prisoner cannot safely be removed from Segregation, placement on Administrative Segregation status may occur only subject to the process set forth in Section VIII.E.	Compliant	Current practice. SEE DISCIPLINARY SEGREGATION POST ORDER

11. Once a prisoner has been moved out of Disciplinary Segregation, that prisoner shall not be placed back into Disciplinary Segregation absent (a) a new incident warranting discipline, and (b) completion of all mental health review procedures required for new Segregation placements.	Compliant	Current practice, contained in Discipline Housing Post Order.
H. Avoiding Release from Jail Directly from Segregation		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. The County will avoid the release of prisoners from custody directly from Segregation-type housing, to the maximum extent possible.	Compliant	We are working to meet compliance with feedback from plaintiff's counsel. This has been added to Administrative Segregation Post Order
2. If a sentenced prisoner housed in Segregation has an upcoming expected release date (i.e. less than 120 days), the County will take and document steps to move the prisoner to a less restrictive setting, consistent with safety and security needs. If Segregation becomes necessary during this time, the County will provide individualized discharge planning to prepare the sentenced prisoner for release to the community.	Partial-Compliance	We are working to meet compliance with feedback from plaintiff's counsel.
I. No Food-Related Punishment		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. The County shall modify its policy and take steps to ensure that the denial or modification of food is never used as punishment. The County shall eliminate use of "the loaf" as a disciplinary diet. Nothing in this paragraph shall be read to preclude the County from denying a prisoner use of the commissary.	Compliant	Current practice.
J. Restraint Chairs		
Provision Requirement	Status	Status
1. Restraint chairs shall be utilized for no more than six hours.	Compliant	Current practice.
2. The placement of a prisoner in a restraint chair shall trigger an "emergent" mental health referral, and a qualified mental health professional shall evaluate the prisoner to assess immediate and/or long-term mental health treatment needs.	Compliant	Current practice.
3. The opinion of a qualified medical professional on placement and retention in a restraint chair will be obtained within one hour	Compliant	Current practice.

from the time of placement.

IX. QUALITY ASSURANCE SYSTEMS FOR HEALTH CARE TREATMENT		
A. Generally		
B. Quality Assurance, Mental Health Care		
C. Quality Assurance, Medical Care		