5-03-040 Ambulance and Paramedic Services

PURPOSE OF ORDER:

The purpose of this order is to establish procedures for ambulance and paramedic services.

SCOPE OF ORDER:

This order shall apply to all personnel assigned to Pitchess Detention Center (PDC) North Facility.

ORDER:

In the event an employee, inmate, or visitor becomes injured or ill requiring emergent medical attention/transportation, a request for paramedic response and ambulance transportation shall be made in the following manner:

- Medical staff, when available, shall make the determination for the necessity of paramedic response and ambulance transportation for an employee, inmate, or visitor
- The handling deputy shall notify the watch deputy of the nature of the illness/injury, basic information of the injured/ill person including name and booking number, and request for paramedic response and ambulance transportation to be dispatched
- In the absence of medical staff, any facility personnel may request paramedic response and ambulance transportation for a medical emergency

WATCH DEPUTY RESPONSIBILITIES

The watch deputy shall call the Los Angeles County Fire Department to request paramedic response and ambulance transportation to respond. All pertinent information regarding the emergency request and response including the initial time of the incident, the time fire dispatch was contacted, and the time that emergency personnel arrived on scene shall be logged in the facility Daily Activity Log. The watch deputy shall also ensure that the handling deputy completes a Paramedic/Ambulance Transportation Information form prior to transporting the inmate. At the direction of the watch sergeant, the watch deputy shall ensure that two armed and fully equipped deputies are assigned to provide security for any inmate transported by ambulance.

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