5-07-070 Inmate Kitchen Worker Screening

Reference: CCR Title 15 Section 1230

PURPOSE OF ORDER:

The purpose of this order is to establish protocols guidelines for the screening of inmates who workers in the kitchen area work in the Pitchess Detention Center (PDC) ranch kitchen/officers' dining room (ODR) and PDC South kitchen/inmates' dining room (IDR).

SCOPE OF ORDER:

This order applies to all personnel assigned to and working at PDC South Facility, more specifically the classification officer, nursing staff, and all personnel assigned to work in the ODR and IDR.

ORDER:

Section 1230 of Title 15 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR) requires the screening of food handlers.

ODR and IDR security personnel are responsible for hiring inmates on an as needed basis. Inmates identified as potentially being suitable for work in either the ODR or IDR will, prior to performing any work, be taken for examination and screening by the South Facility clinic nursing staff and classification officer.

This inspection consists of a visual inspection of all inmates for signs of scars, infections, or rashes and includes inspection for general cleanliness and hygiene. Secondly, the nursing staff will question the inmates on past and present medical illnesses including hepatitis. Any inmate who does not pass the culinary inspection will not be allowed to work in the kitchen area. There shall be no exceptions to this order, under any circumstances.

As part of the culinary inspection, the classification officer shall screen each inmate as outlined in South Facility unit order 5-08-090, Classification Guidelines for Outside Inmate Workers. Additionally a review of each inmate's medical screening information for any pre-disclosed condition which would prevent them from working in the kitchen shall be made.

An inmate will not be considered to have passed a culinary inspection until all of the above has been completed. If an inmate, currently working in either the ODR or IDR complains of illness, infection, injury or any other malady, they shall be immediately removed from the culinary line and not allowed to return to work until they are re-screened and cleared for return.

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