



**CORRECTIONS MEDICINE**  
**Sharing of Health and Confinement Information**  
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- I. **PURPOSE:** To assure that the medical provider has access to information contained in the Inmate Confinement Record when such information may be relevant to the patient’s health and course of treatment, and to assure that the Saint Louis County Department of Justice Services (DJS) staff are apprised of certain medical conditions or patient status so DJS staff is able to respond appropriately.
  
- II. **POLICY:** The Corrections Medicine staff and contracted providers shall have access to information contained in each patient’s confinement record when the medical provider believes such information may be relevant to the patient's course of treatment. DJS Custody staff are apprised of certain medical conditions of patients when the medical condition affects or is affected by safety and security procedures.
  
- III. **RESPONSIBILITY:** All Corrections Medicine staff are responsible for the content of this policy and procedure and adherence to the policy.
  
- IV. **PROCEDURE:**
  - 1. DJS staff will not have access to patient’s medical records, including psychotherapy records. However, information regarding a patient's medical condition will be shared with the DJS Director or their designee when it affects or is affected by safety or security procedures in the Buzz Westfall Justice Center or the patient’s ability to participate in programs.
  
  - 2. DJS staff shall be informed about the status of patients with selected chronic conditions so they are alerted to the possibility of medical crisis and can respond appropriately. Caution codes are entered in the integrated jail management system regarding the following medical conditions:
    - a. Diabetes
    - b. Epilepsy
    - c. Psychoses
    - d. Suicidal ideations
    - e. Physical limitations
    - f. Patients on medication with high risk of side effects