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SUMMARY of REVISION/REVIEW

PROCEDURE I.L. – New Section. I.M. – New Section. I.N. - New section.

APPROVED:



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PURPOSE

To provide policy for Mission Specific Housing for the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services (NDCS).

GENERAL

Mission Specific Housing is the practice of housing individuals with common demographics, interests, challenges and/or needs together, to provide safe and effective living environments. Mission Specific Housing has multiple over-arching goals, including:

- I. MORE EFFECTIVELY ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF SPECIAL POPULATIONS
- II. PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO ENCOURAGE PROSOCIAL BEHAVIOR
- III. REDUCING USE OF RESTRICTIVE HOUSING FOR SPECIAL POPULATIONS
- IV. PROVIDING RISK- AND NEEDS-RESPONSIVE AND BEHAVIORALLY-TARGETED INTERVENTIONS
- V. FOCUSING SERVICES, RESOURCES AND PROGRAMMING IN A MORE EFFICIENT MANNER

Mission Specific Housing includes clinical treatment housing units as well as non-clinical, structured units to provide effective housing options for those who might otherwise be in restrictive housing for management or protection. It is a strategy used to reduce the use of restrictive housing by providing a range of alternatives to address and reduce behaviors leading to the use of restrictive housing and creating additional options for individuals transitioning out of restrictive housing, thus reducing lengths of stay for those not ready to return to the general prison population.


PROCEDURE

A Program Overview (Attachment A) describing the mission, eligibility, capacity, staffing, types of programming and structure for the unit shall be developed for each NDCS approved mission specific housing unit.

I. PROGRAM OVERVIEWS

Program Overviews are completed and will be reviewed as needed for the following mission specific housing units.

- A. Residential Sex Offender Unit
- B. Residential Substance Abuse Unit
- C. Residential Mental Health Unit
- D. Protective Management Unit
- E. Nursery Unit (Nebraska Correctional Center for Women only)
- F. Active Seniors Unit

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- G. Accommodations Unit
- H. Veteran's Unit
- I. Limited Movement Unit
- J. Prison Fellowship Academy Unit
- K. Controlled Movement
- L. Chronic Care Mental Health Unit
- M. Acute/Sub acute Mental Health Unit
- N. Minimum Custody Shop Worker Unit

II. NEW MISSION SPECIFIC HOUSING

For newly established mission specific housing units, the Program Overview will be completed prior to the operation of the unit. In the event programming is planned for the future but not yet implemented at the time of initial operations, a timeline for program implementations shall be included in the Program Overview. Exceptions may be considered at the discretion of the Director/designee.

As applicable to the location of designated mission specific housing units, the facility shall establish written procedures consistent with the Program Overview detailing all aspects of the mission specific housing unit operations.

The Research Division shall be notified of all mission specific housing areas and will provide guidance to facility management staff on data collection strategies to measure the effectiveness of the mission specific housing unit.

REFERENCE

- I. STATUTORY REFERENCE – None noted
- II. NDCS POLICIES – None noted
- III. ATTACHMENTS
 - A. Mission Specific Housing Program Overview Template
- IV. AMERICAN CORRECTIONAL ASSOCIATION (ACA) – None noted