

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

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POLICY CHANGE NOTICE 21-14

INSTRUCTIONS:

Please change Section VI. (A) to read as follows:

"A. If any TDOC staff member believes an inmate may be experiencing acute withdrawal or withdrawal syndrome, he or she should immediately contact health services and complete the Institutional Health Services Referral, CR-3431 that the inmate may be screened and assessed by utilizing the TDOC approved instrument; Clinical Opiate Withdrawal Scale (COWS). The COWS may be completed by a Registered Nurse (RN) or a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN). If the RN/LPN concludes the inmate is experiencing withdrawal, they shall refer the inmate to the institutional provider."