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HOSPITAL AND SPECIALIZED AMBULATORY CARE		

PURPOSE: To designate the locations utilized for hospital and specialized ambulatory care for offenders of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ).

POLICY:

- I. Hospital and specialized ambulatory care for TDCJ offenders is provided through a managed care system utilizing University of Texas Medical Branch and Texas Tech University Health Science Center or by affiliated/contracted hospitals accredited by an accrediting organization recognized by the Correctional Managed Health Care Committee.

- II. Each unit health administrator (TTUHSC)/Practice Manager (UTMB) is responsible for keeping on file a copy of the letter of agreement with the local hospital to be utilized for hospital and specialized ambulatory care. The letter of agreement shall contain the following statement:

"It is agreed that the Texas Department of Criminal Justice may readily have access to all medical records concerning offender's care in the hospital/emergency room. Upon discharge disposition or death of the offender, medical records will be retained by the hospital for a period of at least ten (10) years."

- III. A letter of agreement is also maintained in the office of the Division Director for Health Services.

Reference: ACA Standard 4-4348 (Ref. 3-4360), Referrals