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ADMISSION TO A GERIATRIC CENTER		

PURPOSE: To ensure that elderly offenders are admitted into a Geriatric Center appropriately, based on established criteria.

POLICY:

- I. The Correctional Managed Health Care Committee, its agents and TDCJ will provide a supportive environment for elderly offenders.
- II. Request for placement in a Geriatric Center is submitted for approval through the Health Services.
- III. Admission into a Geriatric Facility will be dependent on space availability and coordination between the unit physician or mid-level practitioner and the Health Services Liaison.

The referral criteria and processes are outlined below.

- A. Age will be 60 or older. Requests for a waiver may be reviewed.
- B. Does not require skilled nursing care (must be able to function in sheltered general population setting and able to independently perform all activities of daily living).
- C. Housing with general population is difficult due to age and/or general health condition (i.e., difficulty with standing in line, walking distances, potential to be preyed upon).
- D. Offender must meet security requirements and be approved for reassignment in accordance with TDCJ classification policies.

Reference: ACA Standard 4-4399 (Ref. 3-4369)