

Policy: 500.015

Title: Employee and Visitor Emergency Health Care

Effective Date: 1/2/18

**PURPOSE:** To provide procedures for emergency health care for department employees and visitors.

**APPLICABILITY:** Minnesota Department of Corrections (DOC); all department employees, contract personnel, and visitors at all facilities

## **DEFINITIONS:**

<u>Emergency care</u> – basic first aid provided for an acute condition that may be considered life-threatening or may result in the loss of a limb or a major body function.

<u>Incident command system (ICS)</u> – an ongoing approach that allows department staff and mutual aid agencies to work together in the management of incidents.

## **PROCEDURES:**

- A. Nursing staff, designated to respond to an incident command system (ICS) event, when on-site at a facility, must:
  - 1. Respond to all medical ICS incidents;
  - 2. Assess the involved individuals;
  - 3. Provide emergency care; and
  - 4. Complete the appropriate documents, including a confidential incident report.
- B. Incident reports are retained at the facility.

## **INTERNAL CONTROLS:**

A. A confidential incident report is written by the responding health services staff, and retained at the facility.

ACA STANDARDS: 4-4384, and 4-4368

**REFERENCES:** Minn. Stat. § 241.01

Policy 301.140, "Incident Command System"

**REPLACES:** Policy 500.015, "Employee and Visitor Emergency Health Care," 3/1/16.

All facility policies, memos, or other communications whether verbal, written, or

transmitted by electronic means regarding this topic.

**ATTACHMENTS:** None

## **APPROVED BY:**

Deputy Commissioner, Facility Services Deputy Commissioner, Community Services Assistant Commissioner, Facility Services Assistant Commissioner, Operations Support