

## County of Sacramento Department of Health Services Division of Primary Health Policy and Procedure

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Title: **Notification in Emergencies**Functional Area: Governance and Administration

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## Policy:

Prompt notification of parents or legal guardians in the event of serious illness, injury or death of a detained minor is the joint responsibility of Juvenile Correctional Health (JCH) and Probation staff.

## **Procedures:**

- A. Notification of Parents/Guardian
  - 1. JCH lead physician or designee will determine when a condition is serious enough to warrant notifying the parent or guardian named on the pre-booking form.
  - 2. The lead physician and Supervising Registered Nurse (SRN) or designee will advise Probation staff of the detained minor's condition, as soon as possible.
  - 3. Due to security issues Probation staff shall be responsible to determine who notifies the parent or legal guardian.
  - 4. The lead physician or designee shall be available to discuss the detained minor's condition with the parent or legal guardian or refer the parent or legal guardian to the appropriate spokesperson or physician at the hospital.
  - 5. Notification must be documented in the detained minor's medical file.
  - 6. The Juvenile Hall Probation Supervisor will notify the detained minor's Probation Officer and the court when deemed appropriate and/or necessary.
  - 7. In the event of an in-custody death, the Probation Department will be responsible for arranging in person notification to the parent or legal guardian.

## References:

Title 15, Article 8, Section 1401

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Attachments:

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