

## HIGH DESERT HEALTH SYSTEM AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTER

<b>SUBJECT:</b> XII-126 SMOKING	<b>POLICY #:</b> 1282
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**PURPOSE:** To describe the smoking policy at High Desert Regional Health Center (HDRHC) Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) for patients, the public, and employees.

**POLICY:** Smoking shall not be permitted anywhere on HDRHC ASC property in order to reduce risks of possible adverse effects on care, treatment, and services and to reduce the risk of passive smoke for others and of fire.

**PROCEDURE:**

- A. Signage addressing the smoking policy shall be posted at the ASC waiting area.
- B. The sign shall clearly state “No Smoking” and/or display the international no smoking Symbol.
- C. An employee’s failure to observe the smoke-free policy may result in a citation from Law Enforcement.
- D. Continued violation of the smoke-free policy may result in progressive discipline including discharge.
- E. Employee shall include volunteers, contractors, students, and County employees.

**REFERENCES:**

California Government Code, Section 7596 - 7598  
 California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 70707 (15)  
 DHS Policy # 381, Smoking in Departmental Facilities  
 DHS Policy # 381.1, Employee Participation in Departmental Smoking Cessation Programs

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