Los Angeles County Department of Health Services Juvenile Court Health Services



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FACILITY SPECIFIC MANUAL

CENTRAL JUVENILE HALL

Description

Central Juvenile Hall (CJH) was established back in 1912 and was the first juvenile detention facility in Los Angeles County. CJH is located at 1605 Eastlake Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90033 and serves as a temporary holding facility for juvenile detainees during their court proceedings. Ultimately, the youths will be released home to their parents (possibly on probation), placed in foster care, sent to a Los Angeles County Juvenile Camp, Los Angeles County Jail, California Prison or other correctional facilities. The facility has the capacity to house approximately 500 juvenile detainees.

Youth are housed in 16 Living Units. Each Leaving Unit has an average daily census of about 30 youths. The Living Unit is where the youth eat, sleep, and tend to their activities of daily living. In addition, there is a Hope Center for males and females to help deescalate youth with an acute behavioral issue. Also, there is a separate 15-bed Medical Housing Unit (MHU) located in another building.

The clinical areas consist of the Medical Module which has five (5) exam rooms, Laboratory services, a Dental Suite (with 2 operatories), an Optometry Suite, and another building which houses the Radiology Suite (for conventional x-rays) and the MHU. There are also separate offices for the facility's Psychiatrists and other Mental Health Staff. Youth receive their medications in their Living Units but receive other medical services in the Medical Area.

Nursing Hours of Operation

There are nurses (Registered Nurses, Licensed Vocational Nurses, and Nursing Attendants) on duty seven (7) days a week, 24 Hours a day. In the event the staff on duty is unable to resolve to a nursing/medical issue, the Nurse Supervisor and/or Nurse Manager can be reached via cell phone. See Nurse Manager On-Call List.

Physician Hours of Operation

There are physician clinics seven (7) days a week during the daytime. If a Physician consult is needed, the notification procedure below may be followed:

- During physician clinic hours (typically Sunday through Saturday 7:30 AM to 4 PM): Notify the Physician on Duty at CJH.
- All other times: Contact the Physician on Call (refer to Physician Call schedule).

Dental Services

Youth requiring Dental Services are seen at Central Juvenile Hall. In addition, youths from Dorothy Kirby Center are transported to CJH via Probation Transportation for dental care. Normal operating hours are Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM. Referrals to Dental Services are initiated by physician or nursing staff.

Pharmacy Services

The main pharmacy is located at Central Juvenile Hall. Their operation hours are 7:30 am to 5:30 pm Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays. The pharmacy services deliver medication and supplies to all Halls and Camps. Where there is a Pyxis machine available, the pharmacists make routine visits to stock and maintain the machines.

Optometry Services

Youth requiring Optometry Services are seen at the Central Juvenile Hall Eye Clinic. Referral to Optometry Services is initiated by physician or nursing staff.

Mental Health Services

Youth requiring Mental Health Services are seen at CJH by the Department of Mental Health (DMH) – Juvenile Justice Mental Health Program staff. Referral to Mental Health Services can be initiated by Probation, Physician or Nursing.

Outside Facilities

Youth requiring outside medical services and/or specialty appointments are typically transported by Probation to LAC+USC Healthcare Network located at 1200 North State Street, Los Angeles, CA 90033. They may also be transported to another facility if they have already established a medical relationship with someone there.

If a female youth is a high-risk youth, they may be transported via Sheriff to the outside appointment.

Medical Emergencies/First-Aid

Nursing staff is on-site and available 24 hours a day seven days a week to provide first aid and assist with medical emergencies. In the event of an emergency, any staff may access care by calling "911".

Management of Contagious Diseases

For any suspected or confirmed contagious diseases, notify the Infection Control Manager at (323) 839-6225 for direction and the physician on duty/on-call.

Health Information Management (HIM)

The HIM Department has staff members on-site 5 days a week during the day. They are assigned to prepare charts for youth movement (transport), scan documents into the Probation Electronic Medical Record System (PEMRS) and handle the release of medical information.

Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE)

In accordance with Section 889 of the Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) of the state of California, the county superintendent of schools is directed to establish and maintain public schools at the elementary or secondary level with the primary purpose for education of youth.

Probation Services

The Department of Probation is under the jurisdiction of the juvenile justice system and is considered as the legal guardian (locus parentis) of the youth. Upon initial arrival at CJH, the youth is orientated to procedures and protocols (e.g. Access to Care) by Probation staff.

List of Important Central Juvenile Hall Phone Numbers

Main number – Central Juvenile Hall JCHS Departments (CJH) • Dental • Pharmacy • Laboratory • Optometry • Medical Records • Nursing/Physician CJH Superintendent Probation Officer of the Day LACOE	 (323) 226-8811 (323) 226-8861 (323) 226-8859 (323) 226-8809 (323) 226-8817 (323) 226-8852 (323) 226-8819 (323) 226-8601 (323) 226-8601 (323) 226-8452
Poison Control Medical Emergency	(800) 222-1222 911
 Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile Hall Dental Medical Records Mental Health Nursing/Physician 	(818) 364-2011 (818) 364-2073 (818) 364-2085 (818) 364-2155 (818) 364-2071
Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall Nursing Medical Records Dental Mental Health 	(562) 940-4111 (562) 940-8864 (562)940- 8609 (562) 940-8601 (562) 940-8757
JCHS Administration JCHS Nursing Administration	(323) 226-8723/8724 (323) 226-8812
Department of Mental Health (Headquarters)	(213) 738-2078