

#### COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

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## Los Angeles County Department of Health Services

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### **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this policy is to stipulate when equipment may be loaned to other agencies.

#### **POLICY:**

Generally, Department equipment shall not be loaned to other agencies, except where:

- 1. Equipment is requested by another County department or special district to meet an emergency.
- 2. Equipment where a non-County physician, private hospital administrator, or similar official calls to request the use of medical equipment in a medically serious situation, and where such equipment is not readily available elsewhere. The budget unit administrator shall ensure that such loans are documented with time limitations, equipment care/security instructions, name and contact information of receiving agency/department and name and contact information of DHS authorized releasing agent.

#### PROCEDURE:

Each facility shall develop procedures regarding implementation of the above policy.

The mission of the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services is to ensure access to high-quality, patient-centered, cost-effective health care to Los Angeles County residents through direct services at DHS facilities and through collaboration with community and university partners.

# REFERENCE(S)/AUTHORITY:

Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, 6.8.0, 6.11.0