### San Diego County Probation Department

Institutional Services Unit Procedure

# **YTC Medication Pass**

### 1313.1 PROCEDURE

#### 1313.1.1 SUPERVISING MEDICATION DISTRIBUTION

The Clinic Officer will assist the nurse during medication pass. The Clinic Officer shall keep a container stocked with crackers in the clinic and take the container to the cottages during medication pass. The following are the procedures to be followed during the medication pass:

- (a) The nurse arrives at the destination, the Clinic Officer will have the list of youth names to receive medication
- (b) All movement must stop. There should be no talking, and noise kept to a minimum
- (c) Youth will be called to the medication cart one at a time
- (d) Youth receiving the medication will either be wearing a short-sleeved shirt or have their sleeves rolled up
- (e) Youth will state their name and date of birth, and the nurse will verify the youth's identity by examining the youth's ID band. The ID band must be legible
- (f) The nurse places the medication in the youth's hand
- (g) The youth will ingest the pill and drink water
- (h) The officer, wearing gloves, will have a cracker ready and give it to the youth
- (i) The youth consumes the cracker and drinks the second cup of water provided by the nurse
- (i) The youth shows their hands to the nurse and officer and spreads their fingers.
- (k) The nurse will check the youth's mouth, including between lips and gums, under the tongue, and the back of the throat, to ensure consumption.
- (I) The youth turns their head to the side and coughs.

### 1313.1.2 SUPERVISING YOUTHS RECEIVING MEDICATION

Youth shall not be permitted to transport medication or possess medication either on their person or in their room without the expressed approval and consent of medical clinic staff. Officers discovering medication on youth or in a room assigned to a youth, without any Medical Treatment Order (MTO), shall immediately seize the medication and immediately notify the medical clinic and the Watch Commander and follow the Contraband Chain of Custody for Evidence procedures.

If the medication pass occurs during school hours, youth will be excused to leave the classroom and will assemble in the schoolyard in front of the Schoolyard Station. Medication will be administered in the same manner as if the youth was in the cottage.

If the youth does not have an ID band or the information on the band is no longer legible, they are NOT to receive medication until the youth has a new ID band. It will be the responsibility of the respective cottage officers to ensure that every youth has their respective ID band.

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Medical staff shall document medication including non-prescription medication in accordance with the health care provider Wellpath's Policy and Procedure. Training by medical staff for non-licensed personnel shall be provided. (15 CCR 1438)