

## **Chapter 2 – Patients’ Entitlements and Responsibilities**

### **Article 1 – Provision of Health Care Services**

#### **2.1.1 Patients’ Rights**

##### **(a) Policy**

The California Correctional Health Care Services supports and observes a set of patient rights in agreement with standard medical practices and ethical conduct, and are consistent with the reasonable limitation of federal and state rules and regulations as they apply to the patient. Certain rights may be limited by reasonable application of security regulations.

##### **(b) Purpose**

To ensure that the individual patient’s rights are maintained in concurrence with established medical ethics and to preserve the basic human dignity of the patient.

##### **(c) Responsibility**

The Chief Executive Officer, or designee, and the Warden of each institution are responsible for the implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of this policy.

#### **References**

- California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 5, Chapter 12, Article 5, 79799, Inmate-Patients’ Rights
- Welfare and Institutions Code, Division 5, Article 7, Section 5325

#### **Revision History**

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