## DETENTION HOSPITAL GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA

Title: CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF MEDICAL/DENTAL RECORDS

**SOP NO: 009** 

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Effective Date: 01 JUN 05

SCOPE: JOINT MEDICAL GROUP (JMG)

#### I. ENCLOSURE:

(1) NAVMED FORM 6150/7

- (2) Sample, Record Closure Insert
- (3) Sample, Chain of Custody

## II. BACKGROUND:

On arrival to Guantanamo (GTMO), all Detainees have a medical and dental record established to document their healthcare while in custody. Joint Medical Group (JMG) and Detention Hospital personnel will exercise control, custody and management of all inpatient and outpatient medical/dental records with guidance from applicable service instructions. This Standard Operating Procedure provides guidance on the storage, handling and accountability of all healthcare records in JMG custody.

#### III. POLICY:

A secure, climate-controlled environment is required for the storage of all active and retired Detainee medical records. All Detainee healthcare information will be treated as sensitive material. All medical/dental records will be maintained in a secure storage device if the space is not continuously manned.

At no time will active Detainee medical/dental records leave the custody of Detention Medical staff. Whenever a Detainee is admitted to the Detainee Acute Care Unit (DACU) at the U.S. Naval Hospital, the custody of the medical record will reside with Detention Medical staff working in that location. Any exception to this policy will be cleared by the Senior Medical Officer (SMO), Officer in Charge (OIC) or the JMG Commander.

#### IV. PROCEDURES:

#### A. Active Outpatient Records

- 1. The Detainee's Internment Serial Number (ISN) will be used as the primary filing number for all Medical and Dental records.
- 2. All active outpatient medical records will be kept in the Delta Detention Clinic at all times: Enclosure (1), commonly known as the "Pink Card", will be completed for any record transported out of Delta Clinic.
- 3. All dental records will be kept in the Detention Hospital Dental Clinic. These records will not be removed from this space without the express approval of the Dental Officer, the Senior Medical Officer (SMO) or the Detention Medical Officer in Charge (OIC). The dental record will accompany all Detainees undergoing oral surgery procedures at U. S. Naval Hospital GTMO.
- 4. The outpatient medical record will accompany all Detainees admitted to the Detention Hospital or the DACU. The record will be stored in a cabinet or file drawer at the detention hospital the DACU the DACU (z)
- 5. Delta Clinic will charge out all outpatient medical records for Detainees admitted to Delta Block. These medical records will remain stored at the Delta Block

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- 6. The Director for Clinical Services will maintain a listing of all outpatient medical/dental records in Delta Clinic's possession sorted by ISN number and the number of volumes for each. The list will be compared to the Detainee camp roster maintained by J3. This list will be updated quarterly and a report submitted to the JMG Commander via the SMO and the OIC no later than 10 days after the end of each quarter.
- 7. The Dental Officer will maintain a listing of all dental records in Dental's possession. This list will be updated quarterly and a report submitted to the JMG Commander via the SMO and the OIC no later than 10 days after the end of each quarter.

### **B.** Active Inpatient Records

Inpatient records for Detainees still in custody will be considered active inpatient records.

- 1. Active inpatient records are maintained in a locked cabinet in the 5(2) for at the Detention Hospital currently an inpatient.
  - 2. They will be catalogued by ISN number.

- 3. Each admission will have a separate health record jacket and filed separately.
- 4. The Director for Administration (DFA) is responsible for the maintenance and storage of these records.
- 5. The DFA will maintain a listing of all active inpatient medical records sorted by ISN number and the number of volumes for each. The list will be updated quarterly and a report submitted to the JMG Commander via the SMO and the OIC no later than 10 days after the end of each quarter.
- 6. Once a detainee is discharged from the Detention Hospital or the U.S. Naval Hospital DACU, a final administrative review of the record will be conducted prior to filing it in the

#### C. Inactive Records

Medical/Dental records for detainees who have been permanently released from custody will be placed in an inactive status.

- 1. Inactive Detainee medical/dental records, both inpatient and outpatient, are maintained in a secure storage device.
- 2. Inactive records will be catalogued by ISN number.
- 3. All records (inpatient, outpatient or dental) will be grouped together by ISN.
- 4. Detainees who are permanently transferred from GTMO will have their outpatient medical record and their dental record closed. To close a medical record, enclosure (2) will become the topmost form of Part 2 in the outpatient medical records, inpatient medical records, and dental records. Enclosure (2) will be signed by the SMO for all medical records and by the Dental Officer for all dental records.
- 5. All permanently transferred Detainees will have the inactive records (all volumes) bundled and forwarded to the JMG Commander. Enclosure (3) will accompany all transferred records, and the DFA and the JMG Medical Planner will keep a copy on file of each signed enclosure (3).
- 6. The JMG Medical Planner will maintain a listing of all medical/dental records in their possession sorted by ISN number, record type, number of volumes for each and the date accepted into custody. This list will be updated quarterly and a report submitted to the JMG Commander no later than 10 days after the end of each quarter.

### D. Missing Records

1. When a Detainee medical/dental record is unaccounted for, the record custodian will submit a memorandum to the JMG Commander via the OIC documenting the record as missing. The DFA or the JMG Medical Planner, as appropriate, will maintain a copy of this memorandum on file.

# E. Record Inventory

1. A complete inventory of all medical/dental records will be conducted when the OIC or the JMG Medical Planner turn over.

## F. Medical Evacuations

At no time will the original medical or dental record leave Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

- 1. If a Detainee requires medical evacuation from the island, a photocopy of the Detainee Medical and Dental record will be made.
- 2. The copies will be clearly marked as duplicate across the cover sheet.
- 3. The copies will remain in the possession of a JMG representative or designated medical authority at all times while undergoing medical care.
- 4. When the final medical disposition is made on the detainee, the copies will accompany the detainee back to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.
- 5. The copies will then be destroyed by the JMG Medical Planner.

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Enclosure (2)

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