### DETENTION HOSPITAL GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA

**SOP NO: 007** 

## Title: MEDICAL DOCUMENTATION AND REPORTING PROCEDURES FOR SUSPECTED DETAINEE ABUSE

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SCOPE: JOINT MEDICAL GROUP (JMG)

## I. BACKGROUND:

Detainees will be treated humanely. Verbal harassment, physical abuse, or any form of corporal punishment is prohibited.

## II. DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this instruction, the term provider refers to a licensed independent provider who is credentialed at U.S. Naval Hospital Guantanamo Bay, Cuba to practice as a Physician, Physician's Assistant, Psychologist or Nurse Practitioner.

#### **III. POLICY:**

Detention Hospital will intervene in and report any observed detaince abuse. Detention Hospital will report any incident of suspected detainee abuse uncovered during routine medical examinations.

#### **IV. PROCEDURES:**

Procedure for evidence of abuse, reports of abuse or detainee reports that they have been abused.

- A. The Hospital Corpsman or Nurse does an initial history and examination. Findings will be objectively documented in the detainee's medical record.
- B. The initial documentation in the detaince's health record will contain a detailed account of the events surrounding the incident and will, at a minimum, include the following elements:
  - 1. The location of the incident.
  - 2. The mechanism of injury.
  - 3. The time of the incident.
  - 4. A timed/dated detailed description of findings on the initial examination.

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- C. The Nurse on duty will notify the on-call provider of the complaint, allegation, or suspicion within one hour.
- D. The on-call provider will examine the detainee within 4 hours. Appropriate studies will be ordered and processed within that time.
- E. The provider will forward a summarized account of the incident to the Senior Medical Officer and the Detention Hospital Officer in Charge.
- F. This information will subsequently be provided to the Joint Task Force (JTF) Surgeon and Commander, Joint Detention Operation's Group.
- G. The JTF Surgeon will be responsible for notifying the Staff Judge Advocate as appropriate.
- H. Photography for Documentation of Suspected Detainee Abuse.
- 1. Visual documentation will be obtained as determined by the Senior Medical Officer and will be made part of the medical record.
- 2. Any photographs will be made part of the medical record.

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