

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS



**Standard Operating Procedures**

**Policy Name:** Auditing the Dental Unit

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**Authority:**  
Commissioner

**Originating Division:**  
Health Services Division  
(Dental Health)

**Access Listing:**  
Level I: All Access

**I. Introduction and Summary:**

The State Dental Director or designee will conduct periodic evaluation of dental units at all facilities. This procedure is applicable to all facilities that house Georgia Department of Corrections (GDC) offenders to include private and county prisons.

**II. Authority:**

- A. GDC Standard Operating Procedure (SOP): 507.01.12 Continuous Quality Improvement;
- B. NCCHC Adult Standard: P-E-06;
- C. NCCHC Juvenile Standards: Y-37;
- D. ACA Standards: 5-ACI-6A-19 (ref. 4-4360), 5-ACI-6A-21 (ref. 4-4362), 5-ACI-6A-02 (ref. 4-4345), and 5-ACI-6A-03 (ref. 4-4346).

**III. Definitions: None.**

**IV. Statement of Policy and Applicable Procedures:**

- A. On an annual basis, each facility will have its Dental Services evaluated by the Statewide Dental Director or designee. If deemed necessary, a follow up evaluation may be conducted. The audit may take place in conjunction with the GDC Office of Health Services' audit of the medical unit.
- B. A copy of that evaluation will be sent to the facility's Warden/Superintendent, the Statewide Dental Director or designee, and to the GDC Office of Health Services.

**V. Attachments: None.**

**VI. Record Retention of Forms Relevant to this Policy: None.**