RESPONSIBLE HEALTH AUTHORITY

PURPOSE: To establish responsibility for the health care provided inmates of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

POLICY:

I. Each facility will have a designated facility health authority Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC)/management team University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB). Clinical judgments rest with a designated licensed responsible physician.

II. The facility health authority (TTUHSC)/management team (UTMB) for each facility and their roles and responsibilities are specified in writing by the appropriate contractor and maintained at the facility and in the office of the Division Director for Health Services.

Reference: ACA Standard 4-4380 (Ref. 3-4326) Mandatory