

CORRECTIONAL MANAGED HEALTH CARE POLICY MANUAL	Effective Date: 4/3/2018	NUMBER: E-36.2
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<b>IN-PROCESSING INMATES-DENTAL EXAMINATION, CLASSIFICATION, EDUCATION AND TREATMENT</b>		

**PURPOSE:** To establish reception center procedures for in-processing inmates.

**POLICY:** Upon admission, each new inmate processing into the Texas Department of Criminal Justice will be provided a dental screening by a qualified healthcare professional or health-trained personnel. An in-processing examination by a dentist will be completed within 30 days of admission, at which time a defined dental charting system is initiated, a dental classification is determined based on priority of need and treatment or referral for Level 1 conditions. Oral hygiene, oral disease education and self-care instruction will be provided within 30 days. Consultation and referral to dental specialists, including oral surgery, will be provided when necessary.

**Reference:** ACA Standard 3-4361 Health Education (Non-Mandatory)  
ACA Standard 3-4362 Health Appraisal (Mandatory)  
ACA Standard 3-4346 Access to Care (Mandatory)  
ACA Standard 3-4344 Health Services  
ACA Standard 4-4360 Dental Care