2120 RESIDENT APPEARANCE

Chapter: Sununu Youth Services Center Section: Resident Rights and Privileges



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To ensure the uniform and neat appearance of residents of the SYSC, residents will wear clothing provided by and laundered by SYSC.

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish the resident appearance procedures.

Policy

- I. Admission: Upon admission to SYSC:
 - A. The personal property of incoming residents will be searched, inventoried, washed (as needed and appropriate), and stored. Excess clothing will be returned to the residents' parents or guardian at the earliest convenience.
 - B. Residents will be sized for clothing to be provided by SYSC and will be issued one complete set of clothing.
 - C. During the resident's stay in the Detention Unit (detained residents) or in the Intake Unit (committed residents), the resident will be issued clean clothing daily from a supply of clothing maintained in these units.
- II. Following Classification: Following classification to a specific residential unit a committed resident will receive a complete set of new underwear for his/her exclusive use during the resident's period of commitment.
 - A. The set of underwear shall be marked with the resident's name and unit with an indelible laundry marker.
 - B. The resident shall be issued:
 - 1. Seven pairs of underpants (male and female residents).
 - 2. Seven pairs of socks (male and female residents).
 - 3. Three sports bras (female residents).
 - C. The resident shall be responsible for the proper care of his/her personal set of underwear.

- 1. Committed residents will be permitted to wear his/her personal shoes, which shall be retrieved from the personal property storage room in the Admissions Unit or furnished by the resident's family, provided that the type, style, and color of the personal shoes are acceptable to the Unit Manager.
- 2. Committed residents shall be issued clothing in the colors assigned to the residential unit to which he/she has been committed.
- III. Standards for Wearing SYSC Clothing: SYSC clothing shall be worn as follows:
 - A. Regardless of the activities in which residents have been involved, residents shall wear polo shirts and khaki pants to all meals.
 - Standards for Wear: B.
 - 1. A resident shall wear only the clothing issued to him/her.
 - 2. Shirts (including tee-shirts) shall be tucked in and sleeves and collars will be down.
 - 3. Pants shall be worn with the beltline around the waist.
 - 4. If the cuffs of the pants fall below the ankle, they shall be rolled up, not tucked into shoes or socks.
 - 5. Clothing shall not be altered, defaced, traded, or used to barter in any way.
 - 6. Footwear shall be properly fitted and worn. Laced shoes shall be tied.
 - 7. Resident jewelry shall be limited to medical alert bracelets or necklaces.
 - 8. Clothing that is torn, damaged, stained, or no longer fits shall be turned over to the Unit Manager or designee for examination, repair, or possible replacement.
 - C. Residents who intentionally deface, damage, or destroy an article of clothing shall be required to pay for that article.

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