

§ 76359. Dental Services -General Requirements.

(a) There shall be comprehensive diagnostic services for all clients which include a complete extraoral and intraoral examination, utilizing all diagnostic aids necessary to properly evaluate the client's oral condition within a period of one month following admission unless such an examination was done within six months of admission and the results are received and reviewed by the facility and are entered in the client's record.

(b) There shall be comprehensive treatment services for all clients which include:

(1) Provision for dental treatment.

(2) A system that will assure that each client is reexamined at specified intervals in accordance with his needs but at least annually.

(c) There shall be education and training through a dental hygiene program to maintain oral health which includes:

(1) Giving information regarding nutrition and diet control measures to staff.

(2) Instruction of clients and staff in each living unit in proper methods of oral hygiene.

(3) Instruction of parents or authorized representatives in the maintenance of proper oral hygiene, where appropriate (as in the case of clients leaving the facility).

(d) A permanent dental record shall be maintained for each client. A summary dental progress report shall be entered in the client record at stated intervals. A copy of the permanent dental record shall be provided a facility to which a client is transferred.

(e) There shall be a formal arrangement for providing dental services to the facility, including care in dental emergencies on a 24-hour, 7-days-a-week basis.

(f) There shall be available qualified dental personnel, and necessary supporting staff to carry out the dental services program.

Note: Authority cited: Section 208(a), Health and Safety Code. Reference: Section 1276, Health and Safety Code.

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