Section 79611@ Psychiatrist/Psychologist Service General Requirements

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## (a)

There shall be a sufficient number of psychiatrists and psychologists on the staff to meet the needs of the patients.

# (b)

A psychiatrist or psychologist shall be responsible for examining, diagnosing, classifying and prescribing treatment for patients. The psychiatrist or psychologist shall also record progress notes, review and update treatment orders and make other appropriate entries in the patient record.

### (c)

Written policies and procedures shall be developed and maintained by the person responsible for the service in consultation with other appropriate health professionals and administration. Policies and procedures shall be approved by the administration and medical director. These shall include, but not be limited to:

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(d)

Medical examination shall be performed by a physician as often as indicated by the medical needs of the inmate-patient.

(e)

The responsibility and accountability of the psychiatrist/psychologist service to the medical staff, administration and governing body shall be defined.