## HEALTH SERVICES POLICY & PROCEDURE MANUAL

North Carolina Department Of Public Safety **SECTION: Patient Education** 

Prison

POLICY # PE-2

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**SUBJECT: Offender Health Education/Health EFFECTIVE DATE: Promotion** 

**SUPERCEDES DATE:** 

October 2014 October 2007

## **PURPOSE**

To provide the offender's with patient education information that will assist them in becoming more knowledgeable of healthy living and to improve their overall health.

## **POLICY**

Health Services shall provide patient education materials-that are appropriate to the level of understanding of the offender. The Patient Education Committee is responsible for reviewing, developing and making available patient education materials. Patient education materials shall be approved by the Deputy Director of Health Services/designee.

## **PROCEDURE**

- I. Educational Materials
  - A. Health Services staff may provide the offender with a:
    - 1. Verbal
    - 2. Written on
    - 3. Visual (videos, models, diagrams)
- II. Documentation
  - A. Patient education will be documented in the offender's health care record.
- III. Location of Education Materials:
  - A. Internal website (Prison Health Nursing Service)
  - B. Electronic Health Record (education)

References: Patient Health Education is located in the electronic medical record (HERO) and the Health Services Web page.

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