San Bernardino County Probation Department

Procedures Manual

Special Needs Youth (Disability/IEP)- Juvenile Detention and Assessment Centers and Treatment Facilities

630.1 PURPOSE:

To establish guidelines for the care of youth in the Juvenile Detention and Assessment Centers (JDACs) and Treatment Facilities (TFs) with special needs and/or disabilities.

630.2 RESPONSIBILITIES:

Facility Superintendent/Division Director or Designee shall ensure:

- A. Appropriate housing assignments.
- B. Disciplinary processes and/or procedures are consistent with the current Individual Education Plan (IEP).
- C. Staff do not discipline a youth for behavior that is a manifestation of the youth's disability or deviate from the Behavior Intervention Plan described in the IEP unless the youth displays a danger to self or others. In this instance, staff shall implement behavior modification techniques that are the least restrictive and least aggravating to the disability.
- D. The medical, mental, physical, and/or emotional needs of the youth are met while they are detained in the facility.
- E. Any disability identified and/or suspected during detention and/or treatment is communicated to the responsible Probation staff, Schools, DBH, Inland Regional Center, etc., within twenty-four (24) hours.
- F. Physician orders, as they pertain to the identified disability, are followed while maintaining the safety and security of the facility.