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<p style="text-align: center;">DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION</p>	<p>RELATED NCCHC/ACA STANDARDS: P-E-04//4-4367 (ESSENTIAL)</p>	
<p>CHAPTER: 11 HEALTH SERVICES</p>	<p>SUBJECT: PERIODIC HEALTH ASSESSMENT</p>	
<p>APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER:</p>		
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PURPOSE:

The health status of inmates is reviewed at established frequency consistent with USPSTF (United States Preventative Services Task Force) Grade A recommendations. The DOC will assess other recommendations and determine appropriateness on a case by case basis.

POLICY:

1. The Office of Health Services in consultation with the Division of Public Health will determine protocols for periodic health assessments.
2. Inmates with chronic healthcare needs are evaluated within the bounds of their level of control based on chronic disease guidelines. At least once a year every chronic care patient will be seen for an annual assessment.
3. Every inmate who has an annual intervention is reviewed based on the age, gender or risk recommendation. Inmates less than 40 years of age will have one every five (5) years. Inmates 40 years of age and over will have one every other year.
4. All inmates will receive an annual tuberculosis screening.

References:

National Commission on Correctional Health Care: Standards for Health Services in Prisons, 2003, P-E-04, PP 61-63
American Correctional Association: Standards for Adult Correctional Institutions, 4th Edition, 2003. 4-4367