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POLICY:

The Body Orifice Security Scanner Chair, more commonly referred to as the BOSS Chair, is a non-intrusive scanning system designed to detect contraband metal objects (most ferrous metals, non-ferrous metals and alloys are detected) concealed in a body cavity. It is a tool to prevent the introduction of contraband into a correctional facility and to enhance the safety of staff, inmates and overall security of the centre.

STANDARDS:

1. All new admissions, incoming transfers, medical escorts, or at any time staff have reason to suspect inmates could be concealing contraband, inmates will be placed on the BOSS Chair and scanned for possible concealment of any metal contraband.

PROCEDURES:

1. In a sitted position, the back, seat, shin and feet of the inmate will be checked.
 - a) The inmate is instructed to sit on the BOSS Chair (fully clothed/coveralls) and remain sitting until the officer reviews the LED Zone Indicators;
 - b) In the event that a LED Zone Indicator turns red, the officer will question the inmate as to the reason for the alarm (metal plate, pins, etc.);
 - c) If the inmate cannot provide a valid explanation for the indicator, they will then be given an opportunity to surrender the contraband;
 - d) The attending officer will strip search the inmate and instruct the individual to surrender the contraband item;
 - e) If the contraband is surrendered to the officer, they will again have the inmate sit on the chair to ensure no other items are detected;
 - f) If the item is not retrieved or the inmate is not cooperative, the inmate will be placed again on the BOSS Chair to verify the findings;
 - g) Non-compliance shall result in the inmate being placed in a holding (dry) cell until such time as the contraband is recovered.

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2. To check the inmate’s oral cavities, the following procedures shall be applied.
 - a) The inmate must walk to the rear of the BOSS Chair and firmly place their chin on the center of the red circle marker located on the unit’s circular counter;
 - b) The inmate must lift his head straight up then place one side of the face/cheek on the center of the red circle marker and repeat for other side;
 - c) In the event that the LED Oral Zone Indicator turns red, the attending officer will question the inmate as to reason for the alarm (metal plate, pins, etc.);
 - d) If the inmate cannot provide a valid explanation for the indicator, they will then be given an opportunity to surrender the contraband;
 - e) The attending officer will inspect the mouth and instruct the inmate to lift the tongue;
 - f) If the contraband is surrendered to the officer, they will again have the inmate place their chin on the centre of the red circle marker located on the unit’s counter to ensure no other items are detected;
 - g) If the item is not retrieved or the inmate is not cooperative, the inmate will be told to again place their chin on the center of the red circle marker located on the unit’s counter to verify the findings;
 - h) Noncompliance shall result in the inmate being placed in a holding cell (dry) until such time as the contraband is recovered by staff;
 - i) Cavi-wipes will be available for inmates to sanitize the counter between usages.

3. Alarm/Indicator Information
 - a) LED zone indicators target the oral, back, seat, shin and foot areas;
 - b) Each of the detection zones alarm status is identified by a green and red LED;
 - i. green LED indicates that the zone is ready;

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- ii. red LED indicates that the system is in alarm zone and metal is detected in a specific zone.

NOTE: The zipper on an inmate's coveralls should not indicate as a red LED alarm zone.

4. False Readings

- a) The BOSS Chair may provide a false alarm if the inmate vibrates the chair or makes any quick movement.