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		<b>Title:</b> Medical Co-pay		<b>Adopted:</b> 10-8-1998  <b>Reviewed:</b> 3-6-2008

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**BOARD OF CORRECTION IDAPA RULE NUMBER**

[None](#)

**POLICY STATEMENT**

It is the policy of the Idaho Board of Correction that the Idaho Department of Correction (IDOC) and its contractors charge offenders incarcerated at IDOC facilities a co-pay for medical and pharmacy services, but do not deny access to medical, dental, and mental health services when the offender does not have the resources to pay for such services.

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to communicate the Board's philosophy about promoting and encouraging responsibility and accountability in regard to offenders and their personal health. Nothing in this policy shall be construed to relieve the contract medical provider(s) of any obligation and/or responsibility stipulated in their respective contractual agreements.

**SCOPE**

This policy applies to all employees, offenders, contractors, and subcontractors of the IDOC. This policy also applies to all procedures created under its authority.

**RESPONSIBILITY**

The director of the IDOC and chief of the Division of Education and Treatment are responsible for overseeing the implementation of this policy and the development and implementation of standard operating procedures (SOPs) to fully implement this policy.

In addition:

- The Department health authority is responsible for monitoring compliance with this policy.
- When services are privatized, the contract medical provider is responsible for ensuring this policy is adhered to unless specifically exempted by written contractual agreements.

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## REFERENCES

National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC), *Standards for Health Services in Prisons*, 2003, Appendix F, Charging Inmates a Fee for Health Care Services

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