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POLICY AND PROCEDURE: Personnel Training: Minors' Rights	Approved date: _____ Approved by: _____ Effective date: _____ Revised date: _____ Revised date: _____

POLICY:
Provide medical services per California Law Family Code to protect minors' rights to sensitive services.

PROCEDURE:

Sensitive Services/Minors Rights

- Parental consent is not required for members under the age of 18 to access pregnancy-related services, including family planning.
  ** California Law Family Code Section 6925.

- A minor who is 12 years of age or older and who may have come into contact with an infectious, contagious, or communicable disease may consent to medical care related to the diagnosis or treatment of the disease, if the disease or condition is one that is required by law or regulation adopted pursuant to law to be reported to the local health officer, or is a related sexually transmitted disease, as may be determined by the State Public Health Officer.

  The minor's parents or guardian are not liable for payment for medical care provided pursuant to this section.

** *California Law Family Code Section 6926 (6920-6929).*

- A minor may consent to the minor's medical care or dental care if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

(1) The minor is 15 years of age or older.
(2) The minor is living separate and apart from the minor's parents or guardian, whether with or without the consent of a parent or guardian and regardless of the duration of the separate residence.
(3) The minor is managing the minor's own financial affairs, regardless of the source of the minor's income.

- The parents or guardian are not liable for medical care or dental care provided pursuant to this section.
- A physician and surgeon or dentist may, with or without the consent of the minor patient, advise the minor's parent or guardian of the treatment given or needed if the physician and surgeon or dentist has reason to know, on the basis of the information given by the minor, the whereabouts of the parent or guardian.

** *California Law Family Code section 6922 (6920-6929).*

- **Special precautions must be taken to insure that communication regarding the medical information of a minor related to sensitive services is protected** (i.e. letters and phone calls should NOT be directed to the home without the minor's authorization).