

# Memorandum

Date : May 3, 2009

To : Executive Staff  
Associate Directors, Division of Adult Institutions  
Regional Parole Administrators (Juvenile and Adult)  
Regional Administrators, Division of Correctional Health Care Services  
Wardens  
Superintendents  
Health Care Managers

Subject: **DISCONTINUATION OF NON-ESSENTIAL VISITING AT ALL CDCR SITES**

In response to the increasing threat of the spread of the 2009 H1N1 Influenza virus within the CDCR facilities, the California Prison Health Care Services (CPHCS) medical team has recommended that all daily inmate and youthful offender visiting in adult, juvenile facilities and community correctional facilities be discontinued until further notice. Conjugal or overnight visiting will not be discontinued.

To this end, the processing of ward visitors will cease today, May 3, 2009 at 1200 hours. For those visits already in progress, visitation will end beginning at 1300 hours. It is more important that calm, effective communication occur concerning the discontinuation of visiting rather than having all visitors and inmates or youthful offenders out of the visiting areas. In order to implement this policy, affected sites are directed to have supervisory staff present in the processing areas and visiting rooms to answer questions and resolve any issues that may arise.

This visiting cancellation memorandum shall be posted at the front entrance and in the visiting processing area. The visiting hotline should also be updated to reflect these changes. In addition, wardens and superintendents should notify their IFC as soon as possible.

In addition, all non-essential programs (i.e. volunteers, Narcotics Anonymous (NA), Alcoholics Anonymous (AA), etc.) will be discontinued until further notice. All professional visits (i.e. attorney visits, law enforcement interviews, vendors, etc.) are not discontinued at this time. Additionally contract employees providing program services such as substance abuse programs will not be impacted by this direction.

All questions related to this memorandum should be directed through your chain of command to the appropriate Associate Director.



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