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CHAPTER 18: HEALTH CARE SERVICES		
	STATE of MAINE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS Approved by Commissioner: 	PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS: See Section VII
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I. AUTHORITY

The Commissioner of Corrections adopts this policy pursuant to the authority contained in 34-A M.R.S.A. Section 1403.

II. APPLICABILITY

All Departmental Adult Facilities

III. POLICY

Each facility shall establish a program for the control of ectoparasites within the prisoner population by the establishment and implementation of practices for the treatment of identified infested prisoners and for the decontamination of bedding, clothing, and living and other appropriate areas.

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Procedure A: Ectoparasite Control Protocols

V. ATTACHMENTS

[Attachment A: Scabies Management Checklist](#)

[Attachment B: Lice Management Checklist](#)

VI. PROCEDURES

Procedure A: Ectoparasite Control Protocols

1. Each prisoner shall be evaluated for the presence of ectoparasites during the intake health screening process and at anytime thereafter when indicated. When it has been determined that a prisoner has an ectoparasite infestation, that prisoner shall be treated and the Scabies Management Checklist, Attachment A

or the Lice Management Checklist, Attachment B shall be completed as applicable.

2. The Health Services Administrator (HSA) at each facility shall establish written protocols for the treatment of ectoparasite infestation.
3. The written protocols shall require that prior to initiating treatment; consideration shall be given to the individual's medical condition regarding the presence of an open wound, rash, pregnancy or any other condition that may require alternative treatment.
4. The effectiveness of the treatment shall be determined by a follow-up visit consistent with the written protocols established by the HSA.
5. Appropriate facility staff shall be trained to recognize the signs and symptoms of ectoparasite infestation and decontamination procedures.

VII. PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

None

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