

Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 5120-9-27 Procurement of medical aids for institution inmates.

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- (A) The department of rehabilitation and correction shall provide to all institution inmates, when it is determined by qualified departmental staff (or other qualified independent contractor) that a legitimate medical or dental need exists, the following medical aids: eyeglasses, full and/or partial dentures, hearing aids, orthopedic appliances, etc. The department will further provide for reasonable replacement and upkeep. The cost and quality of such replacement items shall be at the warden's discretion. An inmate may, with the warden's approval, obtain a higher quality or more expensive item at the inmate's own expense.
- (B) The loss, theft or destruction of such aids, due to carelessness or negligence on the part of the inmate, will result in replacement being charged to the inmate's personal account. Prior to any such action, however, a full investigation will be conducted by the inspector of institutional services.
- (C) Medical aids of a cosmetic nature are not provided for. The cost of cosmetic medical aids, if desired by the inmates will be charged to the inmate's personal account with prior approval of the warden.