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AGENDA COVER MEMO

AGENDA DATE: March 12, 2003

TO: LANE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DEPT.: LANE COUNTY OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

PRESENTED BY: Teresa J. Wilson, County Counsel 

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING CHAPTER 9 OF LANE
MANUAL TO UPDATE SECTIONS PERTAINING TO
TREATMENT OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (LM 9.005.)

I. **MOTION:** I move to approve the order updating Lane Manual section 9.005.

II. **ISSUE OR PROBLEM:** Lane Manual section 9.005 currently contains provisions pertaining to treatment of communicable disease and contains references to the State Health Division; the provisions have not been updated since 1993 and the State Health Department has been renamed the Oregon Dept. of Human Services/Health Services.

III. **DISCUSSION:** Lane Manual section 9.005 needs to be revised to reflect the current terminology and procedures for treatment of communicable disease. Current Public Health staff recommend the proposed changes. The proposed changes are part of those that have been identified as needing to be made through the process of putting the Manual on the Internet.

IV. **OPTIONS:**

1. Approve the order.
2. Do not approve the order.

V. **RECOMMENDATIONS:** Recommend Option 1.

VI. **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Board Order.
2. Lane Manual 9.005

cc: Karen Gillette

IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO. 03-

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING CHAPTER 9 OF
LANE MANUAL TO UPDATE SECTION
PERTAINING TO THE TREATMENT OF
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE (LM 9.005)

The Board of County Commissioners of Lane County orders as follows:

Lane Manual Chapter 9 is hereby amended by removing, substituting and adding the following section:

REMOVE THIS SECTION

9.005
as located on pages 9-1
(a total of 1 page)

INSERT THIS SECTION

9.005
as located on pages 9-1
(a total of 1 page)

Said section is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The purpose of this substitution and addition is to update the section pertaining to the treatment of communicable disease (LM 9.005)

Adopted this _____ day of _____ 2003.

Peter Sorenson, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Date 2/18/03 Lane County



OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

Chapter 9**ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTH****TREATMENT OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASE****9.005 Policy.**

Lane County recognizes that while the diagnosis and treatment of disease is considered the general responsibility of the private medical community, the County will intervene in cases where the spread of disease is considered a public health hazard. It is expected that the Health and Human Services Department shall take whatever action is necessary when a communicable disease outbreak is a threat to the public health. Consistent with the applicable provisions of the Oregon Revised Statutes and under the authority of the Lane County Home Rule Charter, the following policies are hereby adopted for providing treatment and medication for control of communicable disease in Lane County:

(1) Provision of immunizations to the general public in order to reduce the number and severity of communicable disease outbreaks. Part of the biologicals are furnished by the Oregon Department of Human Services/Health Services. Influenza immunizations are offered to persons identified by ACIP and state guidelines as eligible with emphasis on service to the elderly and those without other medical resources.

(2) Diagnosis and treatment (including provision of medications) for sexually transmitted diseases.

(3) Identification, referral and treatment including routine exams, X-rays, lab work and medications as ordered by PMD or Health Officer for tuberculosis.

(4) Tuberculin testing for high risk persons and population groups. Tuberculin Skin Test (TST) is also available for a charge to others requesting testing.

(5) Provision of gamma globulin for close associates of infectious hepatitis cases. Gamma globulin is supplied by Oregon Department of Human Services/Health Services in moderate amounts.

(6) Individual communicable disease cases and outbreaks among school children are considered to be the responsibility of the school districts involved. Consultation services are available from Public Health Services to all school districts, just as they are available to any community organization. Where direct medical and nursing services are required above those designated in contract agreements, districts will need to make their own arrangements. (This includes costs of medications for the school population). County does not have sufficient resources to provide comprehensive school health services.

(7) When an outbreak becomes a threat to the total community, the Department has the responsibility to divert other staff members to the problem and mobilize other community resources. Suspected cases will be referred to the private medical care systems. If, in the judgment of the Department's staff, a patient who is a communicable disease risk to the community will not receive appropriate medications due to lack of funds, Department will supply such biologicals. Except in an extreme emergency so designated by County Board of Health, County will not provide mass community treatment services. *(Revised by Order No. 93-3-31-7; Effective 3.31.93)*

ENVIRONMENT AND HEALTH

TREATMENT OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASE

9.005 Policy.

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(1) Provision of immunizations to the general public in order to reduce the **number and severity** ~~possibility of communicable disease outbreak~~ ~~community epidemics~~. Part of the biologicals are furnished by the **Oregon Department of Human Services/Health Services** ~~State Health Division~~. (~~Charges are made for immunizations for overseas travel.~~) Influenza immunizations are offered to persons **identified by ACIP and state guidelines as eligible with emphasis on service to the elderly and those without other medical resources** ~~with chronic conditions and the elderly~~. Agencies providing essential health and safety services may arrange for specially scheduled clinics at a cost sufficient to cover personnel and supplies costs. Flu shots are available to all County employees at no cost.

(2) Diagnosis and treatment (including provision of medications) for **sexually transmitted venereal** ~~diseases~~.

(3) **Identification, referral and treatment including routine exams, X-rays, lab work and medications as ordered by PMD or Health Officer** ~~Diagnosis, treatment and routine examinations for tuberculosis. This includes X-ray and medication services for high risk persons.~~

(4) Tuberculin testing for high risk persons and population groups. **Tuberculin Skin Test (TST) is also available for a charge to others requesting testing** ~~Charges are made for persons who do not need this definition.~~

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(6) Individual communicable disease cases and outbreaks among school children are considered to be the responsibility of the school districts involved. Consultation services are available from **Public Health Services** ~~the Health and Human Services Department~~ to all school districts, just as they are available to any community organization. ~~Direct nursing services are available on a contracted basis.~~ Where direct medical and nursing services are required above those designated in contract agreements, districts will need to make their own arrangements. (This includes costs of medications for the school population). County does not have sufficient resources to provide comprehensive school health services.

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