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<b>4.23 COMPREHENSIVE ACCOMMODATION POLICY</b>	Attachments: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**I. POLICY**

The California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) and California Correctional Health Care Services (CCHCS) shall provide medically necessary accommodations to patient-inmates to ensure equal access to prison services, programs, or activities. CCHCS shall maintain a formulary that contains statewide standards for certain types of accommodations. Accommodations not listed in the formulary, or formulary accommodations based on criteria not listed therein, may be requested via the nonformulary accommodation process, as outlined in Inmate Medical Services Policies and Procedures (IMSP&P), Volume 4, Chapter 23.1, Comprehensive Accommodation Procedure.

Durable medical equipment provided as a part of an accommodation is addressed in IMSP&P, Volume 4, Chapter 32, Durable Medical Equipment and Medical Supply Policy and Procedure.

**II. PURPOSE**

To provide patient-inmates standardized temporary or permanent medically necessary accommodations to ensure equal access to prison services, programs, or activities and to ensure continuity of all medically necessary accommodations.

**III. DEFINITIONS**

**Accommodation:** Reasonably necessary and appropriate modification or adjustment, not imposing a disproportionate or undue burden, to ensure a patient-inmate with a disability has equal access to programs, services, and activities.

**Nonformulary Accommodation:** An accommodation not listed in the formulary or a formulary accommodation based on criteria not listed.

**IV. RESPONSIBILITY**

The Chief Executive Officer and the Warden at each institution are jointly responsible for the implementation of this policy.

**V. REFERENCES**

- Armstrong Remedial Plan, *Armstrong v. Brown*, U.S. District Court of Northern California, Case No. C94-2307 CW, Amended January 3, 2001
- IMSP&P, Volume 4, Chapter 32, Durable Medical Equipment and Medical Supply Policy and Volume 4, Chapter 32.1, Durable Medical Equipment and Medical Supply Procedure