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(a) **Standard.**

Routine and emergency dental care is provided to each youth under the direction and supervision of a licensed dentist. The scope of available dental services, including emergency dental care, includes the following:

- (1) dental screening by a qualified dental professional or dental-trained personnel upon admission;
- (2) dental examination by a dentist within 14 days after admission on inter-system transfers, unless there is documentation of a dental examination completed within the last six months, and diagnostic X-rays as necessary;
- (3) preventive care by a dentist or dental-trained personnel within 14 days after admission, unless there is documentation of dental preventative care completed within the last six months;
- (4) dental cleaning as prescribed by the dentist within 30 days after admission, unless there is documentation of dental cleaning completed within the last six months (the dentist determines the conditions for more frequent than annual dental follow-up);
- (5) defined charting system that identifies the oral health condition and specifies the priorities for treatment by category;
- (6) development of an individualized dental treatment plan as indicated for youth receiving dental care; and
- (7) consultation and referral to dental specialists, including oral surgery, when necessary.

(b) **Procedures.**

Refer to the Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD)/University of Texas Medical Branch - Correctional Managed Care (UTMB) Dental Services Manual.
