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(a) **Standard.**

A decision-making process is in place that governs elective procedures or surgeries for youth.

(b) **Applicability.**

This standard does not apply to tattoo removal.

(c) **General Provisions.**

Elective procedures or surgeries are performed only to correct a substantial functional deficit or if an existing pathological process threatens the well-being of the youth over a period of time.

(d) **Procedures.**

- (1) All elective procedures or surgeries are approved in advance by the TJJD and University of Texas Medical Branch – Correctional Managed Care (UTMB) medical directors on the Elective Procedure Request form, [HLS-125](#).
  - (2) Three attempts are made to contact the parent, guardian, or custodian. If consent is not obtained, the elective procedure or surgery is deferred until consent is obtained. See [HSP.11.01](#) and [HSP.11.02](#) for consent procedures.
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