

## **Online Resources on Prison Nursing**

For ideas on this topic and many others check out Correct Care on the National Commission on Correctional Health Care web site at [/www.ncchc.org/pubs/CC](http://www.ncchc.org/pubs/CC) and the GRACE Project (Guiding Responsive Action in Corrections at End of Life) at [www.mywhatevery.com/cifwriter/library/41/pe1260.html](http://www.mywhatevery.com/cifwriter/library/41/pe1260.html).

Many resources are available to help nurses understand this challenging area of practice. Mace and Michel (2005) explored healthcare in prisons from several perspectives and compiled a list of resources found at the end of this posting. If you have questions or are considering working as a prison nurse go to these sites for further information. Check out a few of them to see what is available.

### **[www.aca.org](http://www.aca.org)**

The American Correctional Association is an independent, nonprofit organization that sets standards for correctional facilities and health care.

### **[www.achsa.org](http://www.achsa.org)**

The American Correctional Health Services Association.

### **[www.apha.org](http://www.apha.org)**

The American Public Health Association has a task force on correctional health. The members are a combination of physicians, lawyers, nurses, and social services. The task force recently published the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of *Standards for Health Services in Correctional Institutions*.

### **[www.bop.gov/about/index.jsp](http://www.bop.gov/about/index.jsp)**

The Federal Bureau of Prisons site has program statements for health care for inmates are available under P6031.01.

### **[www.bop.gov/gov/DataSource/execute/dsPolicyLoc](http://www.bop.gov/gov/DataSource/execute/dsPolicyLoc)**

The Federal Bureau of Prisons medical, dental, and health policy.

### **[www.guidelines.gov/summary/summary.aspx?doc\\_id=3596&nbr=2822&string-prison](http://www.guidelines.gov/summary/summary.aspx?doc_id=3596&nbr=2822&string-prison)**

This is the site for the National Guideline Clearinghouse for the prevention and control of infections with hepatitis viruses in correctional settings. This is one example of the guidelines that are available to the prison health care systems.

### **[www.guidelines.gov/summary/summary.aspx?doc](http://www.guidelines.gov/summary/summary.aspx?doc)**

Search correctional institutions for care of specific conditions.

### **[www.hrw.org/advocacy/prisons](http://www.hrw.org/advocacy/prisons)**

Human Rights Watch Prison Project: Prison Conditions and the Treatment of Prisoners— Information on prison conditions around the world, international human rights standards applicable to prisoners, and prison-related activities of the U.N. and other organizations.

### **[www.ncchc.org](http://www.ncchc.org)**

The National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) is supported from 38 major organizations representing the fields of health, law, and corrections.

### **[www.ncchc.org/resources/stds\\_summary/prison\\_f.html](http://www.ncchc.org/resources/stds_summary/prison_f.html)**

This is the link for National Commission on Correctional Health Care Standards for Health Services in Prisons with Section F focused on Health Promotion and Disease Prevention in the prison setting.

**[www.niaa.nih.gov/publications/arh28-2/85-93.htm](http://www.niaa.nih.gov/publications/arh28-2/85-93.htm)**

This is the site for the description of screening and brief intervention in the Criminal Justice System.

**[www.spr.org](http://www.spr.org)**

Stop Prisoner Rape: Dedicated to combating the rape of Male and Female prisoners and providing such assistance as they can to survivors of jailhouse rape.