

## **Detention of Welfare and Institution Code 601 Minors**

### **610.1 RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Welfare and Institutions Code Section 601 provides that non-criminal/delinquent youth may be detained in a secure facility for up to twelve (12) hours to determine if there are any warrants, warrants or holds (207(b) W&I).

Youth will be detained in holding rooms separate from the general population. They will be given a shower and clean underwear daily, along with thirty (30) minutes of "free time" each shift. They will also receive large muscle exercise and three (3) meals a day plus snacks. These wards will be allowed a phone call to parents, guardians or social workers.

Youth may be detained in a secure facility for up to twenty-four (24) hours in order to locate a parent or guardian and to arrange return of the youth to parent or guardian (207(b)(2) W&I). This period may be extended to seventy-two (72) hours if there is difficulty locating the parent or guardian or arranging transportation (207(b)(B) W&I).

Youth detained on 601 Welfare and Institutions warrants of arrest awaiting pickup from another county may be detained for a period of five (5) judicial days (641 W&I).

A logbook recording the above activities will be maintained in the holding unit supervisor's office and kept up-to-date by each shift.