

SECTION: ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

POLICY #: 507 INSPECTING BODY ART FACILITIES

POLICY: Central Valley Health District has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Division of Food and Lodging of the North Dakota Department of Health that includes the licensing and inspecting of Body Art Facilities. Central Valley Health District has adopted by reference the North Dakota Century Code chapters 12.1-31-13 and 23-01-35 as well as North Dakota Administrative Code article 33-41 pertaining to tattoo and body art facilities. Except that “Department” shall refer to Central Valley Health District (CVHD).

PROCEDURE:

1. All Body Art Facility information is maintained in the EH Inspections Database located under Environmental Health on the CVHD shared drive. This includes facility address, owner, billing, and licensure information.
2. Logs are kept of previous facility inspections including dates. These records are used to determine the inspection schedule. Inspection frequency should be based on measure of risk, complaints, previous violations, or at indicated intervals for routine inspections.
3. Select the facility to be inspected. Upon arrival at the facility, identify yourself to the owner, manager, or person-in-charge.
4. Conduct inspection to determine compliance with health standards using the Body Art Inspection Form.
 - a. Utilize proper equipment to aid in the inspection process.
 - b. During the inspection focus on factors involved in infection and the transmission of disease such as employee vaccinations, autoclaving, spore testing, personal hygiene, sanitizing equipment, aftercare instructions and proper disposal of hazardous waste.
5. Discuss violations with management or person-in-charge and indicate corrective procedures and time of correction, if necessary.
 - a. Provide a copy of the completed inspection to the facility.
 - b. Notify of any updates to the Body Art Facility Requirements. The requirements are available on CVHD’s website or a paper copy is available through the Environmental Health Division <http://www.ndhealth.gov/FoodLodging/PDF/Tattoo%20Regs.pdf>
6. Make follow-up inspections and visits as indicated. Follow the above listed procedure for any necessary follow-up inspections.
7. Log the appropriate information into EH Inspections Database.
8. Retain the original copy of the inspection for CVHD Environmental Health Records.