

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Amending the County Fee     )     ORDER NO. 17-2016  
Schedule For Inmate Housing Fees            )     (Renumber Order No. 7-2016)

WHEREAS, ORS 169.152 provides that the County may seek reimbursement from a person who is or was committed to the Columbia County Jail upon conviction of a crime for any expenses incurred by the County in safekeeping and maintaining the person; and

WHEREAS, the County may seek reimbursement at the rate of \$60.00 per day or its actual daily costs for safekeeping and maintaining the person, whichever is less; and

WHEREAS, upon conviction, the County may seek reimbursement for each day the person was confined to the Jail, including, but not limited to, any period of pretrial detention; and

WHEREAS, the Columbia County Sheriff has determined that the actual expense incurred by the County in safekeeping and maintaining an inmate is at least \$58.10 per day; and

WHEREAS, a fee of \$25.00 per day is not expected to deter inmates from voluntarily pay housing fees, and will considerably increase the amount of fees collected for the safekeeping and maintenance of inmates; and

WHEREAS, ORS 169.150 provides that the County may charge persons committed to the Columbia County Jail, a reasonable health care fee for any health care services, medications and equipment provided to the person while committed, if the County provides necessary medical care regardless of the person's ability to pay, provides equal treatment to all persons committed to the facility regardless of the person's ability to pay, establishes a system that notifies the person of the fees and what services are covered; and establishes a grievance system that allows a person to challenge the deduction of a fee from the person's account; and

WHEREAS, the Columbia County Sheriff has determined that the fees set out in Exhibit "1", which is attached hereto and are incorporated herein by this reference, are reasonable health care fees for health care services, medications and equipment provided while a person is committed to the Columbia County Jail; and

WHEREAS, the County provides necessary medical care regardless of an inmate's ability to pay, provides equal treatment to all persons committed to the Jail regardless of the person's ability to pay, has established a system that notifies inmates of the reasonable health care fees set forth in Exhibit 1, and has an established a grievance system by which an inmate may challenge the deduction of a fee from the person's account; and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 297.160, interested persons were provided an opportunity to comment on the fees adopted herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. The County Fee Schedule is hereby amended by the incorporation of the following fees in the Columbia County Jail:

FEE

Per Diem Housing Cost	\$25.00
Health Care Fee	Per Exhibit "1"

2. Reimbursement of per diem housing costs shall be credited to the general fund of the County to be available for general fund purposes.
3. Fees adopted herein shall be reviewed as part of the annual budget process as needed.
4. This Order is being re-adopted to correct the Order No. 7-2016.

DATED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: Not Present  
Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: [Signature]  
Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By: [Signature]  
Earl Fisher, Commissioner

Approved as to form:

By: [Signature]  
Office of County Counsel

Exhibit "1"

Medical Fees

Rx Medications (14 days or less)	\$3.00
Rx Medications (15 days or more)	\$6.00
Nurse Visit	\$2.00
Medical Request Form	\$1.00
Nurse Practitioner Visit	\$10.00
X-Rays	Actual cost not to exceed \$100 per x-ray
Mental Health Services	No Charge

An inmate may not be denied any of the above listed medical services because of an inability to pay.