STATE OF VERMONT AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS	**INTERIM MEMO:** Pat and Strip Searches – Juvenile Facilities	**Page 1 of 1**

Local Procedure(s) Required: No.

Applicability: All staff (including contractors and volunteers)

Security Level: "B" – Anyone may have access to this document.

Approved:

/s/ James W. Baker	8/ 31/2020	8 /31/2020
James W. Baker, Interim Commissioner	**Date Signed**	**Effective Date**

The purpose of this Interim Memo is to provide direction to Department of Corrections' (DOC) staff regarding pat and strip searches of individuals in the DOC's custody and housed in a juvenile detention facility approved by the Vermont Department of Children and Families. DOC staff shall not perform a pat or strip search of any individual housed in, or transferred to or from, a juvenile detention facility unless there is articulable, reasonable cause to believe that not doing so would jeopardize the safety of that individual or other persons.

Upon the effective date of this Interim Memo, DOC staff shall desist from administering any part of DOC Administrative Directives #409.01 (Searches) and #406.01 (Inmate Instate Transportation-Facility) that is inconsistent with the above provision. Noting such limitation, all requirements and processes outlined in Directives #409.01 and #406.01 shall otherwise remain in effect.