

Central Virginia Community Services  
**Department of Adult & Family Services**  
POLICY AND PROCEDURES  
MEDICAL DETOXIFICATION & TDO SERVICES

EXCLUSION CRITERIA

The detoxification program reserves the right to deny services to individuals under the following circumstances:

1. Individuals who pose an imminent danger to staff or other clients.
2. Individuals who have threatened in the recent past, /who are currently threatening staff/other clients.
3. Individuals who are currently/previoudly married to or currently/previoudly in a romantic relationship with a client already receiving detoxification services.
4. Individuals who are close relatives of a client already receiving detoxification services. Close relatives include parents, grandparents, siblings, children, and grandchildren.
5. Individuals who have been offered services repeatedly and/or who have left treatment against medical advice and/or who have been administratively discharged due to non-compliance. The following services denial periods are to be used as guidelines and enforced at the discretion of the medical director and/or Administrator.
  - Leaving against medical advice (AMA) – sixty days;
  - Leaving AMA more than twice in any six month period – six months to one year; or
  - Violent and/or threatening behavior – six (6) months to one year.
6. Individuals who are not ambulatory and/or not able to execute ADLs.
7. Individuals who are unwilling to sign consent to treatment and/or refuse to cooperate with staff.
8. Individuals with the following medical conditions:
  - Chemical dependency on barbiturates;
  - Second/Third trimester of pregnancy;
  - Seizures within the last twenty-four (24) hours;
  - Chronic non-substance related seizure disorder with sub-therapeutic, anti-convulsant blood levels;
  - Experiencing delirium tremens (DTs), as evidenced by auditory/visual hallucinations and/or loss of orientation;
  - Persistent nausea and/or vomiting indicating severe dehydration;
  - Significant unstable infection such as pneumonia/meningitis;

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- Gastrointestinal bleeding, as evidenced by vomiting blood, or by red/tarry stools;
- Clinically acute liver disease;
- Cardiac arrhythmia;
- Severe hypertension (DBP>150, SBP>200) regardless of symptoms;
- Head trauma with loss of consciousness within the last twenty-four (24) hours; and
- Uncontrolled chronic medical conditions such as diabetes, congestive heart failure, or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

Note: A TDO may supersede the above criteria for denial of services. The physician on duty will individually review each case in question.