RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS POLICY AND PROCEDURE POLICY NUMBER: EFFECTIVE DATE: 5.06.02-1 January 15, 1987 PAGE 1 OF 2 REPEALS: N/A SECTION: SUBJECT: SUPERVISION OF INSTITUTIONAL RELIGIOUS SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

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I. <u>AUTHORITY:</u>

R.I.G.L. 42-56-10 (v) Powers of the Director; R.I.G.L. 42-56-4 Administrative Procedures Act; Administrative Policy Statements 1.00.01; 1.02.03-1.

II. PURPOSE:

To affirm that a designated staff member of the Department of Corrections coordinates and supervises the Religious Programs at all facilities.

III. POLICY:

It is the policy of the Rhode Island Department of Corrections to insure that all Religious Programs are properly supervised and under the direct supervision of specifically designated personnel.

IV. DISCUSSION:

It shall be the responsibility of the <u>Deputy Assistant Director/Rehabilitative Services</u> to coordinate and supervise all Religious Programs.

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- A. All persons in charge of any of the Religious Services and/or Programs report to the Deputy Assistant Director/Rehabilitative Services.
 - 1. Catholic Chaplaincy Team of four or more persons which shall be a combination of religious and lay persons shall conduct Catholic Services and Programs in all facilities.
 - 2. A Protestant Chaplain shall conduct all Protestant Services and Programs in all facilities.
 - 3. A Jewish Rabbi shall be available to render Jewish Services on an <u>"as-needs"</u> basis.
 - 4. The Imam and other qualified Muslim persons designated by the Mosque in Providence shall conduct all Muslim Programs and Services for Muslims in all facilities.
 - 5. Bible Study, Religious Study, and Prayer Services shall be conducted by all of the above along with volunteer clergy as well as volunteer lay persons.
- B. All persons, Religious, Lay, and Correctional shall conduct Religious Services and Programs as per Operational Memorandum Number 5.06.01.

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