**National Institute for Jail Operations**

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1. Classification is considered punitive by the courts only when it restricts inmate rights.

True False

2. The intent of punitive damages is to punish the responsible persons, not the taxpayer.

True False

3. The standard for liability in federal court for failing to protect inmates is: officers knew or should have known of a threat to inmate safety and failed to prevent the harm.

True False

4. Under the 1st Amendment, inmates have a right to unrestricted visits from media agents.

True False

5. Factor 1 of the Turner v Safley ruling relating to visitation is:

a. There must be a valid, rational connection between the regulation and the legitimate governmental interest.

b. Inmates have no right to visitation.

c. Inmates rights can be restricted due to the discretion of the jail officials.

d. Everyone can visit but children.

6. If jail officials violate the standards created by the American Correctional Association or the National Commission on Correctional Health Care, officials will be liable in federal court litigation.

True False

7. Failure to comply with DOJ PREA standards is a violation of inmate rights and exposes officials to liability; however, compliance with DOJ PREA standards protects officials from liability.

True False

8. The U.S. Supreme Court in the Florence case approved strip searches of inmates being booked into jail. The court gave three primary justifications for reversing the lower courts which had determined that strip searches violated prisoner rights. (3 pts)

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9. Inmates have three recognized “legs” of communication: mail, visitation, and telephone. Which of the legs are not legally required to be offered by jail officials:

a. Mail

b. Visitation

c. Telephone

d. All three legs are required

e. Just one leg needs to be offered

10. Failure to provide adequate intake suicide screening of inmates is a constitutional violation.

True False

12. Inmates must exhaust **ALL** administrative remedies before they can file a federal suit against corrections officials.

True False

13. It is illegal to keep a transgender inmate in restrictive housing for longer than 30 days.

True False

14. Banning entire publications (i.e., all Playboys, Hustlers) because they frequently have objectionable content is deemed permissible by the courts.

15. The Stone County Jail policy manual states that inmates are entitled to 10 phone calls per week; however, Officer Gruff thinks 10 is too many and allows only 3 phone calls per week – a clear violation of the jail’s policy. Officer Gruff’s clear violation of jail policy thus violates the inmates’ rights.

True False

16. Outgoing legal mail can be inspected for contraband by staff, so long as it is in front of  
 the inmate.

True False

Total Correct: of 18 possible points  
Percent Correct: