SUMMARY OF MATERIAL INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

REVISIONS:

Kentucky Department of Corrections Religion Reference Manual (2021), 35 pages

The Kentucky Department of Corrections Religion Reference Manual is substantially rewritten. The manual is amended to include language that a request for a religious item or practice that is not addressed in the manual shall be reviewed by the institutional chaplain and a recommendation made concerning the request for the religious accommodation through a review process in compliance with CPP 23.1 incorporated by reference in 501 KAR 6:020. If the accommodation request decision affects the Religion Reference Manual, revisions may be made during the next review period. All institutions shall receive new directives from the Director of Operations to ensure consistency in practice statewide.

The order of the religions in the manual is changed to be alphabetical. Descriptions within a religion are made in a similar order for ease of use and uniform organization of the description of the religions. Related religions were grouped together. The Bahai faith and Satanism are added to the manual. The Buddhism faith description is simplified and reorganized. The manual places various Christian faiths together. The Hindu faith description is simplified and clarified with greater description of religious items. The description of Islam is reorganized to include two religions that have roots in Islam: the Nation of Islam and Moorish Science Temple of America. In Judaism, an explanation of the Kosher meal program and personal religious items with more specific descriptions are added.