I. DEFINITIONS

“Bachelor’s degree” means a degree given by a college or university to a person who has completed a four-year course or the equivalent, with a major in the humanities or science.

II. POLICY and PROCEDURES

A. Authority of the Warden

The position of Warden shall have the authority and responsibility to manage and direct the total operation of the institution. This authority shall extend to all employees, volunteers, programs and activities connected with the institution. This position shall provide a wide range of authority with which to operate in accordance with state and federal law, Corrections policy, executive orders and judicial decisions.

B. Appointment of the Warden

The Warden shall:

1. be recommended by the Commissioner to the Secretary.

2. have prior approval of the Governor.

3. be chosen from the best qualified group of applicants with the following minimum qualifications:

   a. Graduate of a college or university with a Bachelor's Degree in social or behavioral sciences or work related experience, training, or college credits at a level of achievement equivalent to the Bachelor’s Degree as determined by the Department of Corrections.
b. Five (5) years of correctional, administrative or related experience.

c. Demonstrated administrative and leadership abilities.