**Section 703.100 Clothing, Personal Hygiene, Grooming**

a) Introduction

Good personal grooming habits should be considered part of the shelter care program in an effort to enhance morale, self-respect, and health.

b) Minimum Standards

1) Cleanliness

Mechanical washing and drying equipment and cleaning agents must be provided for children's clothing. Cleaning of children's clothing may be contracted.

A) A staff member shall supervise and instruct children in the operation of machines and proper use of cleaning aids during the clothes washing process.

B) Outer clothing shall be changed at least three times weekly.

C) Underclothing and socks shall be changed daily.

2) Grooming and Personal Hygiene

A) Children without funds shall be provided necessary equipment and articles to maintain proper grooming and personal hygiene.

B) Bathing or showering shall be required at least three times weekly, except as amended by medical advice in individual cases. Every child shall have the opportunity to bathe or shower daily.

C) Children shall not be required to shave.

i) Shaving equipment shall be made available.

ii) Females shall be provided with shaving supplies appropriate for personal hygiene needs.

D) Barber and beautician services shall be made accessible. Hair shall be kept neat and clean.

i) There shall be no standard hair length or style required.

ii) Sideburns, mustaches, and beards are acceptable.

E) Female children shall be provided articles for feminine hygiene.

F) When a child abuses the requirement of neat and clean grooming, the superintendent may designate grooming standards to be maintained by the child.