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RE: 2016 – Annual Jail Inspection

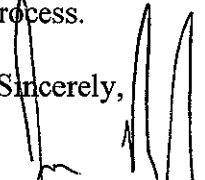
Dear Sheriff Donini,

The Bureau of Adult Detention has received the Plans of Action and additional corrective material you forwarded to our office in response to the annual inspection of the Scioto County Correction Center on September 26, 2016. We appreciate your efforts in attempting to maintain compliance with the Standards for Jails in Ohio.


I have reviewed the provided materials. The documentation will increase the level of compliance for the Scioto County Correction Center on specific standards reviewed this year. The facility is now in compliance with Jail Standards: 5120: 1-8-04(A)(2)(a)(Important); -04(A)(2)(b)(Important); -04(A)(3)(a)(Important); -04(I)(Important); -05(G)(3)(Important); and -09(S)(Important). The facility remains out of compliance with Jail Standards: 5120: 1-8-03(B)(1)(Important); -09(T)(Important); and -17(C)(Important). The Scioto County Correction Center is now compliant with 100% of the Essential Standards and at least 90% of the Important Standards, meeting the requirements of a “**Compliant Jail**”.

Your continuing effort to maintain compliance with the Standards for Jails in Ohio is to be commended. The Bureau encourages the jail to correct the remaining deficiencies prior to the next jail inspection. Congratulations and thank you for your cooperation in the 2016 annual inspection process.

Sincerely,

  
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Dear Sheriff Marty Donini:

In accordance with Section 5120.10 of the Ohio Revised Code and Executive Order 92-03 of the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, the Scioto County Correction Center, a full service jail, was inspected on 09/26/2016. The inspection was restricted to assessing compliance with a group of standards, selected from the Standards for Jails in Ohio promulgated by the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction. The group of standards being inspected focused on Reception & Release, Classification, Security, Housing, Sanitation and Environmental Conditions, Communication, Visitation, Medical and Mental Health Services, Food Service, Recreation and Programming, Inmate Discipline, Administrative Segregation, Grievance, Staffing, and Staff Training. The inspection consisted of this Inspector receiving and/or reviewing requested documentation and/or materials, touring selected areas of the jail, and having discussions with various jail staff.

The total actual general housing capacity for the Scioto County Correction Center is 217. On the date of the jail inspection, there were 223 inmates incarcerated in the Scioto County Correction Center. The Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction recommended housing capacity for the jail is 190, which is based upon total available living space and other requirements. Officials should maintain prisoner counts within the Department's recommended capacity figure.

The Scioto County Correction Center (Full Service Jail) is in compliance with the following standards:

5120:1-8-01 (A)(10); -01 (A)(11); -01 (A)(13); -01 (A)(14); -01 (A)(15); -01 (A)(2); -01 (A)(5); -01 (A)(6); -01 (A)(8); -02 (A); -02 (B)(3); -02 (B)(5); -02 (B)(6); -03 (A)(1); -03 (A)(3); -03 (A)(4); -03 (A)(5); -03 (A)(6); -03 (A)(7); -03 (B)(10)(a); -03 (B)(10)(b); -03 (B)(10)(c); -03 (B)(10)(d); -03 (B)(11)(a); -03 (B)(11)(b); -03 (B)(11)(c); -03 (B)(13); -03 (B)(14); -03 (B)(3); -03 (B)(4); -03 (B)(5); -03 (B)(6); -03 (B)(7); -03 (B)(9); -04 (A)(1); -04 (K); -04 (L); -05 (A); -05 (B); -05 (C); -05 (D); -05 (E); -05 (F); -05 (H)(1); -05 (H)(2); -05 (H)(4); -05 (H)(5); -05 (H)(6); -05 (L); -05 (M); -05 (O); -05 (P); -05 (Q); -06 (A); -06 (D); -06 (F); -06 (H); -07 (B); -07 (C); -07 (F); -07 (G); -07 (J); -09 (A); -09 (AA); -09 (B); -09 (C); -09 (D); -09 (E); -09 (F); -09 (G); -09 (H); -09 (I); -09 (J); -09 (K); -09 (L); -09 (M); -09 (N); -09 (O); -09 (P); -09 (Q); -09 (R); -09 (U); -09 (V); -09 (W); -09 (X); -09 (Y); -09 (Z); -10 (A); -10 (B); -10 (C); -10 (E); -10 (F); -10 (G)(1); -10 (G)(2); -11 (C); -11 (D); -12 (A); -12 (D); -12 (E); -12 (I); -15 (A); -15 (C); -15 (F); -16 (B); -17 (A); -17 (B);

The Scioto County Correction Center did not comply with the following listed standards. This letter is intended to serve as a basis for developing plans of action for bringing the facility into compliance with the deficiencies noted during the inspection.

5120:1-8-03 (B) Each full service jail shall have written policies and procedures, and practices which evidence, that the following minimum standards are maintained. (1) (Important) Procedures govern availability, control inventory, storage,

and use of firearms, less than lethal devices, and related security devices, and specify the level of authority required for their access and use. Chemical agents and electrical disablers are used only with the authorization of the jail administrator or designee. Access to storage areas is restricted to authorized persons and the storage space is located in an area separate and apart from inmate housing or activity areas.

Comments: The jail's current policy, procedure, and practices need updated to reflect the standard and components indicated for standard.

5120:1-8-04 (A) (2) Housing Cells: (a) (Important) Seventy square feet for single occupancy forty-eight square feet in jails constructed prior to 1983.

Comments: At the time of inspection, the jail had exceeded their Bureau Recommended Capacity and several housing units were above square footage requirements.

5120:1-8-04 (A) (2) Housing Cells: (b) (Important) One hundred square feet with seven feet least dimension for double occupancy, stacked bunks, one hundred ten square feet with nine feet least dimension for double occupancy, single bunks.

Comments: At the time of inspection, the jail had exceeded their Bureau Recommended Capacity and several housing units were above square footage requirements.

5120:1-8-04 (A) (3) Dormitory Sleeping Space: (a) (Important) Fifty square feet per occupant, except forty-eight square feet in jails constructed prior to 1983, wherein the formula shall be based upon the requirements of paragraph (A)(2)(a) of rule 5120:1-8-04 of the Administrative Code.

Comments: At the time of the inspection, the female dormitory exceeded the required Bureau recommended capacity. The bed capacity currently in the female dormitory is 26 beds and the female population was at 45.

5120:1-8-04 (I) (Important) Noise levels shall not exceed seventy decibels in daytime and forty-five decibels at night. Noise levels shall be documented using a sound level meter set to the A-scale (decibels.)

Comments: At the time of inspection, the jail failed to provide noise level readings for both daytime and night in order to show adherence for this standard. Daytime readings were taken at the time of inspection which indicated the jail is in compliance with daytime noise levels. Noise levels shall be documented using a sound level meter set to the A-scale (decibels).

5120:1-8-09 (S) (Important) Continuous quality improvement program. The health authority shall develop a continuous quality improvement (CPI) system of monitoring and reviewing, at least annually, the fundamental aspects of the jail's health/mental health care system, including but not limited to: access to care; the intake process; emergency care and hospitalizations; and, adverse inmate occurrences, including all deaths. Periodic chart reviews are included to determine the timeliness and appropriateness of the clinical care provided to inmates.

Comments: At the time of inspection, the jail had not implemented/developed a Continuous Quality Improvement (CPI) system of monitoring and reviewing, at least annually, the fundamental aspects of the jail's health/mental health care system, including but not limited to: access to care; the intake process; emergency care and hospitalizations; and, adverse inmate occurrences, including all deaths. Periodic chart reviews are included to determine the timeliness and appropriateness of the clinical care provided to inmates.

5120:1-8-09 (T) (Important) Emergency response plan - The health aspects of the emergency response plan (mass disaster drill & man down drill). Emergency medical care, including first aid and basic life support, is provided by all health care professionals and those health-trained correctional staff specifically designated by the jail administrator. All staff responding to medical emergencies are certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) in accordance with the recommendations of certifying health organizations.

Comments: At the time of inspection, the jail had not conducted the health aspects of the emergency response plan (mass disaster drill & man down drill). At least one mass disaster drill is conducted annually. The health emergency man-down drill is practiced once a year on each shift where health staff are regularly assigned. Emergency medical care, including first aid and basic life support, is provided by all health care professionals and those health-trained correctional staff specifically designated by the jail administrator. It was also conversed with jail administration that not all jail staff are CPR certified.

5120:1-8-17 (C) (Important) Annual standardized performance reviews of jail employees shall be conducted.

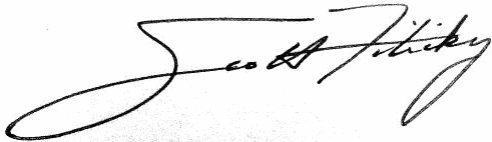
Comments: At the time of inspection, the jail had not conducted/implemented annual standardized performance reviews of jail employees. Performance evaluations shall be conducted on an annual basis.

5120:1-8-05 (G): The jail shall maintain documentation that the following standards are met with regard to interior lighting: G3): (Important) Lighting in inmate sleeping areas shall be reducible to between two and four foot-candles, measured thirty inches above the floor.

Comments: At the time of inspection, the jail failed to provide documentation to show adherence for this standard. Periodic inspections shall be conducted to ascertain that in inmate sleeping areas, lighting shall be reducible to between two and four foot-candles of light measured 30 inches from the floor. The reduction may be accomplished by separate lights or using rheostats on existing lighting.

Plan of action forms are enclosed. Completed form(s) and/or corrective materials addressing the noted deficiencies must be completed and submitted through the Ohio Jail Management System (OHJMS) at [www.OHJMS.Intelligrants.com](http://www.OHJMS.Intelligrants.com) within 45 days of receipt of this correspondence. Please feel free to contact the Bureau if you need assistance or clarification in this effort. The Bureau remains available to discuss the aspects of this report or to provide reference materials or assistance as desired.

Sincerely,



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