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January 23, 2015

Michael J. Ashe, Jr., Sheriff
 Hampden County Sheriff's Department
 626 Randall Road
 Ludlow, MA 01056

Re: Facility Inspection - Western Mass Women's Correctional Center, Chicopee

Dear Sheriff Ashe:

In accordance with M.G.L. c. 111, §§ 5, 20, and 21, as well as Massachusetts Department of Public Health (Department) Regulations 105 CMR 451.000: Minimum Health and Sanitation Standards and Inspection Procedures for Correctional Facilities; 105 CMR 480.000: Storage and Disposal of Infectious or Physically Dangerous Medical or Biological Waste (State Sanitary Code, Chapter VIII); 105 CMR 590.000: Minimum Sanitation Standards for Food Establishments (State Sanitary Code Chapter X); the 1999 Food Code; 105 CMR 520.000 Labeling; and 105 CMR 205.000 Minimum Standards Governing Medical Records and the Conduct of Physical Examinations in Correctional Facilities; I conducted an inspection of the Western Mass Women's Correctional Center on January 20, 2015 accompanied by Sergeant Thomas Kalil, EHSO, and Paul Halfmann, Community Sanitation Program. Violations noted during the inspection are listed below including 1 repeat violation:

HEALTH AND SAFETY VIOLATIONS

(indicates conditions documented on previous inspection reports)*

LOBBY

No Violations Noted

Male Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Female Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Janitor's Closet

No Violations Noted

Women's Locker Room (AA-119)

No Violations Noted

Men's Locker Room (AA-118)

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

CENTRAL CONTROL

No Violations Noted

Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Janitor's Closet (AA-215)

No Violations Noted

VISITING

No Violations Noted

Bathroom

105 CMR 451.123 Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Janitor's Closet (AA-252)

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Inmate Bathroom (AA-255)

No Violations Noted

INTAKE

No Violations Noted

Inmate Intake Room/Search Room (AA-250)

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Inmate Property (AA-248)

No Violations Noted

Urinalysis Room (AA-234)

No Violations Noted

Janitor's Closet (AA-235)

No Violations Noted

Staff Bathroom (AA-238)

No Violations Noted

Inmate Bathroom

Unable to Inspect - In Use

AA-273

FC 4-204.112(A) Design and Construction, Functionality: No functioning thermometer in refrigerator

Inmate Waiting

No Violations Noted

Laundry

105 CMR 451.353 Interior Maintenance: Washing machine # 1 not working

CENTRAL STORAGE

No Violations Noted

Inmate Bathroom (AA-127)

No Violations Noted

Janitor's Closet (AA-128)

No Violations Noted

Staff Bathroom (AA-129)

No Violations Noted

Break Room (AA-131)

No Violations Noted

MAINTENANCE SHOP

No Violations Noted

SECURITY MANAGEMENT

FC 4-602.12(B)

Cleaning of Equipment and Utensils; Frequency: Interior of microwave oven dirty

Staff Bathroom

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

KITCHEN

FC 4-501.11(B)

Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Equipment components not maintained in a state of good repair, reach in warmer gasket damaged

Dairy/Produce Refrigerator

No Violations Noted

Meat Refrigerator

No Violations Noted

Freezer

No Violations Noted

Dry Storage

No Violations Noted

Culinary

No Violations Noted

Janitor's Closet

No Violations Noted

Inmate Dining

No Violations Noted

Staff Dining

FC 4-501.11(A)

Maintenance and Operation, Equipment: Coffee machine not functioning properly

Staff Bathroom (AB-210)

No Violations Noted

Staff Bathroom (AB-209)

No Violations Noted

Classroom

No Violations Noted

Bathroom (AA-309)

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

MEDICAL

No Violations Noted

Staff Bathroom (AA-350)

No Violations Noted

Staff Bathroom (AA348)

No Violations Noted

Dental

No Violations Noted

PRISON INDUSTRY

No Violations Noted

Barber Shop

No Violations Noted

Inmate Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Staff Bathroom

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Baseboard damaged

PROGRAMS

Break Room

No Violations Noted

Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Classroom

No Violations Noted

Library

No Violations Noted

Janitor's Closet

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Inmate Bathroom

No Violations Noted

MINIMUM A

Laundry

No Violations Noted

Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Janitor's Closet

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Showers

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Cells

No Violations Noted

MINIMUM B

Laundry

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Sock behind dryer

Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Janitor's Closet

No Violations Noted

Showers

No Violations Noted

Storage

No Violations Noted

Cells

No Violations Noted

UNIT 1

Staff Bathroom

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Triage

105 CMR 451.110(A)

Hygiene Supplies at Toilet and Handwash Sink: No paper towels at handwash sink

Pre-Trial Office

No Violations Noted

Janitor's Closet

No Violations Noted

Inmate Bathroom

No Violations Noted

UNIT 1A

Janitor's Closet

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in bucket

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Water left in mop bucket

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Storage Room

No Violations Noted

Bathroom

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Lower Shower

No Violations Noted

Upper Shower

No Violations Noted

Cells

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged in cell # 12

UNIT 1B

Janitor's Closet

No Violations Noted

Day Area

No Violations Noted

Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Lower Shower

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 1, 3, and handicap shower

Upper Shower

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Soap scum on walls in shower # 1, 2, and 3

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Cells

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Floor paint damaged in cell # 7, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 22, 23, and 24

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Toilet paper on ceiling in cell # 6

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # 2

UNIT 2 (Administration)

Conference Room

No Violations Noted

Staff Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Inmate Bathroom

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Janitor's Closet

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

UNIT 2A

Storage Room (HP-113)

No Violations Noted

Mechanical Room

No Violations Noted

Laundry

No Violations Noted

Janitor's Closet

No Violations Noted

Day Area

No Violations Noted

Staff Bathroom (HP-116)

No Violations Noted

Lower Shower

No Violations Noted

Upper Shower

105 CMR 451.123*
105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty
Maintenance: Soap scum on floors in shower # 1-4

Cells

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Wall paint damaged in cell # 12

UNIT 2B

Mechanical Room

No Violations Noted

Laundry

No Violations Noted

Janitor's Closet

No Violations Noted

Day Area

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Shower

105 CMR 451.123

Maintenance: Ceiling vent dusty

Cells

105 CMR 451.140
105 CMR 451.353

Adequate Ventilation: Inadequate ventilation, ceiling ventilation grille blocked in cell # 6
Interior Maintenance: Ceiling paint damaged in cell # 12

UNIT 3

Inmate Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Break Room

No Violations Noted

Staff Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Janitor's Closet

No Violations Noted

UNIT 3A

Laundry (HSA 104)

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Washing machine # 3 not working

Janitor's Closet

105 CMR 451.353

Interior Maintenance: Wet mop stored in sink

Cells

No Violations Noted

Lower Shower

No Violations Noted

Upper Shower

No Violations Noted

Staff Bathroom

No Violations Noted

Storage

No Violations Noted

Day Room

No Violations Noted

UNIT 3B

Janitor's Closet

No Violations Noted

Laundry

No Violations Noted

Lower Shower

No Violations Noted

Upper Shower

No Violations Noted

Day Room

No Violations Noted

Multi-Purpose Room

No Violations Noted

Storage

No Violations Noted

Observations and Recommendations

1. The inmate population was 260 at the time of inspection.
2. The Department requests you contact the Radiation Control Program for an updated certificate and post conspicuously.

This facility does not comply with the Department's Regulations cited above. In accordance with 105 CMR 451.404, please submit a plan of correction within 10 working days of receipt of this notice, indicating the specific corrective steps to be taken, a timetable for such steps, and the date by which correction will be achieved. The plan should be signed by the Superintendent or Administrator and submitted to my attention, at the address listed above.

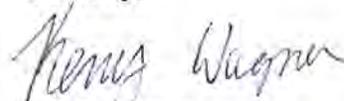
To review the specific regulatory requirements please visit our website at www.mass.gov/dph/dcs and click on "Correctional Facilities" (available in both PDF and RTF formats).

To review the Food Establishment regulations please visit the Food Protection website at www.mass.gov/dph/fpp and click on "Food Protection Regulations". Then under "Retail" click "105 CMR 590.000 - State Sanitary Code Chapter X - Minimum Sanitation Standards for Food Establishments" and "1999 Food Code".

To review the Labeling regulations please visit the Food Protection website at www.mass.gov/dph/fpp and click on "Food Protection Regulations". Then under "General Food Regulations" click "105 CMR 520.000: Labeling."

This inspection report is signed and certified under the pains and penalties of perjury.

Sincerely,



Kerry Wagner
Environmental Health Inspector, CSP, BEH

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